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1. What are some of the blessings that come to the minister through the larger fellowship?
2. What constitutes the greatest resource of Korea today?
3. Why is Japan an evangelist's paradise today?
4. What is the most sinister temptation to assail the minister?
5. What are the three things to be learned in the handling of money?
6. Describe the benefits for the minister's family in the new Family Protection Program.
7. How much should the church members expect of the minister's wife and family?
8. What record did the 1953 International Convention surpass?

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Global Highlights

News of the World Through the Eyes of the Church

Disciples Make Progress On Long Range Program

INDIANAPOLIS. — Real progress has been made upon the Disciples of Christ Long Range Program objective of doubled giving by June 30, 1960, over June 30, 1950, according to a report made here by Dr. C. O. Hawley, director of Unified Promotion for the Disciples of Christ.

The amount distributed as of June 30, 1950, to the agencies cooperating in Unified Promotion totalled $2,138,348.32 while on June 30, 1953, the total was $3,189,193.44. Thus $1,050,845.12 more was distributed this year than three years ago.

Conference on Family Problems Held at Ecumenical Institute

GENEVA, SWITZERLAND. — The Second Conference on Family Problems, with special emphases on *The Church and Marriage,* was held at the Ecumenical Institute near Geneva, Switzerland, June 22-26. The 62 persons in attendance, including the Institute staff and visitors, came from 11 different countries. Fourteen of the larger communions in Europe, Great Britain and North America were represented.

Five major addresses were given dealing with the meaning of Christian marriage and its place and function in modern society. Study groups gave detailed study to four aspects of marriage and the family and the results of these studies will be included in the findings of the conference.

Disciples of Christ present included J. D. Montgomery and Richard E. Lentz as delegates, and Mrs. Richard E. Lentz as a visitor.

National Council Executive Named to Yale Missions Post

NEW YORK. (RNS).—Dr. Charles W. Forman, secretary of the National Council of Churches' department of program emphasis, has been named an assistant professor by Yale University, New Haven, Conn., to succeed Dr. Kenneth Scott Latourette in the chair of missions at its Divinity School.

Dr. Latourette, chairman of Yale's department of religion and a noted authority on Christian missions and Far East history, retired in June.

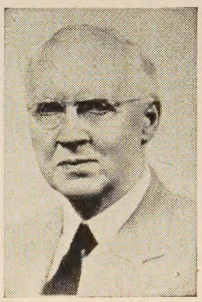
Synod Backs Clergy Social Security

TIFFIN, OHIO. (RNS).—A resolution petitioning Congress to include clergymen in the provisions of the Social Security Act on a voluntary, self-employed basis was adopted by the General Synod of the Evangelical and Reformed Church at its meeting here.

The delegates acted on the recommendation of the denomination's Commission on Christian Social Action which has had the matter under study for the past three years.

John A. Mackay Named Presbyterian Moderator

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. (RNS).—Dr. John A. Mackay, president of Princeton Theological Seminary and a leader in the Protestant foreign missions movement, was elected moderator of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. at the annual meeting of its General Assembly here.



Dr. Mackay

At the same meeting, without any discussion or dissenting vote the Assembly agreed to proceed with a plan for union with two other Presbyterian bodies. The proposed plan would bring together in a single church of 3,500,000 members the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A., the Presbyteri-

Disciples Name Kleihauer International Convention President

Howard Thomas Wood of Memphis, Tenn., president of the International Convention of Disciples of Christ in 1953, presents the president-elect for 1954, Cleveland Kleihauer (left), to the assembled delegates. Since 1934 Dr. Kleihauer has been pastor of the Hollywood-Beverly Christian Church in Hollywood, Calif. The new Convention president, long a leading Disciple, has served both as president of the Los Angeles Church Federation and as president of the Southern California Association of Disciple Ministers.

—Photo by Allan J. de Lay

Poster to Urge Family Worship Attendance

—RIAL Photo

This scene of a family on its way to worship services will be displayed on thousands of billboards and car cards across the country throughout November. It will be part of the fifth annual campaign of the non-sectarian Religion In American Life program to increase regular attendance and support for churches and synagogues. American business contributes support for the program with a national advertising campaign in all the major media—television, radio, newspapers, billboards and car cards. The program is sponsored by a laymen's committee composed of members from the three major faiths.

an Church in the U.S., and the United Presbyterian Church. The new church would be known as the Presbyterian Church of the United States.

Vermont Welcomes Negro Children as Guests

NEW YORK. (RNS).—Seventy-nine Negro children from New York's Harlem went to Vermont this summer to be guests for two weeks in the homes of 33 white farmers and townspeople in the 1953 operation of an interracial project begun ten years ago.

The "Vermont Plan," as it has become known, was inaugurated by the late Rev. A. Ritchie Low of the Federated church of Johnson, Vt. In recent years, the plan has been expanded into a two-way proposition with some of the Vermont hosts and their children spending an autumn week end in Harlem.

Projects similar to the "Vermont Plan" are now being conducted in 11 other states.

Quakers Hold First Seminar in Yugoslavia

BELGRADE. (RNS). — The first Quaker seminar in Yugoslavia was held Aug. 1-22 at the North Dalmatian sea resort of Crikvenica, it was announced here.

The international seminar for young people was organized by the European seminar staff of the American Friends Service Committee's International Student Program.

About 40 students from West Europe, the United States, Pakistan,

President Receives United Church Women

At right, President Eisenhower is shown receiving the first copy of a "Christian Declaration of Loyalty" from officers of the United Church Women of the National Council of Churches at a ceremony in his office in Washington, D. C. The church women are, seated: Mrs. James D. Wyker of Columbia, Mo., president (left); and Mrs. W. Murdock McLeod of New York, general director. Standing are left to right: Mrs. James M. Dolbey of Cincinnati, chairman of public relations; Mrs. Abbie Clement Jackson of Louisville, Ky., national board member, and Mrs. Edwin Parsons of New York, chairman of the assembly committee. The President also received from the delegation an invitation to speak at the national assembly of U.C.W. to be held at Atlantic City, N.J., Oct. 5-8.

—RNS Photo

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India, Ceylon and Egypt discussed cultural, ideological and economic characteristics of the East and West. They also heard several lectures on Yugoslavia.

The Yugoslav youth organization, People's Youth, cooperated in organizing the seminar.

Government Surplus Milk Goes to Overseas Needy

MILWAUKEE, WISC. — Fifteen million pounds of a government surplus milk product have been released to be distributed abroad to the needy of the overseas world by Church World Service and its Christian Rural Overseas Program.

Speaking at the dedication ceremony of this huge milk gift which was held in Milwaukee, Bishop William C. Martin, president of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A., characterized it as "a magnificent gift demonstrating the friendship and compassion of the American people," and declared, "This characterizes our citizenry at its best."

In his dedicatory address, Bishop Martin said: "None of us here this afternoon could think of our government being in a finer role than of opening the hand of bounty and saying to those in need, 'Here is the help that we can provide to relieve your hunger and your suffering.'"

Disciples of Christ cooperate in this work through their Week of Compassion giving.

Dr. Schell to Head Chicago WCC Assembly Committee

CHICAGO. — The Rev. Ralph G. Schell, minister of the Morgan Park Baptist Church, Chicago, has been elected executive director of the Chicago Area-Midwest World Council Assembly Committee. The Committee is sponsored by the World Council of Churches and the Church Federation of Greater Chicago to plan the opening evening service of worship of the Second Assembly of the W.C.C. on Aug. 15, 1954, in Soldier Field.

This will be one of the major activities planned for the general public during the convening of the Second World Assembly. It will be the first ecumenical public worship service in Soldier Field.

Special Days

Sept. 6—Labor Sunday
Sept. 13—Go-to-College Sunday
Sept. 27-Oct. 4—Church Program Week

Church of England Leaders Protest Commercial TV

LONDON. (RNS).—The two highest officials of the Church of England have spoken out against a Conservative proposal to authorize commercial television in England.

Dr. Cyril Forster Garbett, Archbishop of York, made the strongest protest in a speech before the York Diocesan Conference.

Dr. Garbett charged that United States experience showed that commercial broadcasting led to deterioration of standards. He said it was the government's duty to keep television under control of an agency "which regards public welfare as more important than private gain."

Dr. Geoffrey Francis Fisher, Archbishop of Canterbury and Primate of All England, declared it would be a sign of "wisdom and strength" if the government dropped the controversial commercial television proposal.

Beneath the Spire

C. S. SHIRLEY, now 75, came from Jamaica in 1898 to study at Southern Christian Institute . . . in 1901 entered Eureka College, preaching at Normal and Bloomington, Ill. . . . later, in Chicago, became American, worked in Post Office . . . in 1914, sent to Jamaica by Christian Woman's Board of Missions . . . assisted pastor at Oberlin, then had charge of Berea, Fairy Hill congregations . . . in 1920, went to Lucky Hill, Mt. Industry churches; in 1929, became minister of Oberlin, Salisbury Plains, and Manning's Hill . . . at King's Gate Church, 1943 to retirement in 1952 . . . Ivy Logan became his wife in 1916; children include a son, Herbert-Spencer, Drake U. graduate, now pastor at King's Gate and Mt. Industry churches in Jamaica.

Mr. Shirley

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MISS RUTH INGRAM, Wilmington, N. C., is happy to serve the church when needed . . . baptized when 12 in Montgomery, Ala., she transferred membership in 1917 to First Christian Church, Savannah, Ga., where taught youth . . . in 1933 went to First Church, Jacksonville, Fla.; taught a woman's class . . . member First Church, Wilmington, N. C., since 1937; teacher, CYF advisor several years; held various offices in Woman's Council and CWF; past five years member North Carolina CWF State Board . . . as chairman State Fellowship Guild, she represented North Carolina Business Women on first commission, International CWF at the recent Portland International Convention . . . born at Montgomery 54 years ago; as transportation timekeeper for Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, she has figured and prepared payrolls for millions of dollars in last 35 years.

Miss Ingram

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PHIL M. DONNELLY, 62, first Missouri Governor to serve two terms since 1828 . . . his first term, 1945-49; returned to old office Jan. 12 . . . active many years, with wife, Juanita, in First Christian Church, Lebanon, Mo., he recently helped to dedicate that congregation's new building, which he had a major share in making possible . . . Mason, including Shrine and Scottish Rite; past grand master Missouri IOOF . . . one son, Phillip David . . . Governor born at Lebanon, received LL.B. degree from St. Louis U.; one of six honorary LL.D. degrees conferred on him by Culver-Stockton College . . . law career since 1913 includes service as city and county attorney at Lebanon, term in Missouri House of Representatives, five four-year terms in Missouri Senate . . . he is renowned as a fighter for good government.

Gov. Donnelly

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"Mr. Africa" Again

DR. Emory Ross, concerning whose career we carried an article in our July-August issue under the title, "Mr. Africa Retires," proceeded to demonstrate how effective one can be in "retirement." The former secretary of the Africa Committee of the National Council's division of foreign missions showed up in the international news lecturing in Portugal just about the time WORLD CALL assigned him to the leisurely reflections of an onlooking elder statesman. In Lisbon, Portugal, he delivered the Lord Lugard Memorial Lecture before the executive committee of the International Africa Institute.

Vital as always and concerned with present problems, Dr. Ross cited four causes leading to today's African colonial crisis as: (1) the phenomenal scientific and material progress of Western Europe and America; (2) Africa's slowness in keeping pace with material progress; (3) the effect of mass communications on the African mind, whereby floods of indigestible information and knowledge have had a confusing impact on primitive societies; and (4) "the split which has developed in the West between the spiritual and the secular."

We confidently predict that "in retirement" Dr. Ross will continue to say those significant and thought-provoking things for which we have known him.

Disciples and the United Nations

THE reaffirmation by the International Convention of Disciples of Christ of its support of the United Nations as "the best present instrument for bringing together the nations of the world to seek solution of the problems of international relationships" was in line with similar action taken from time to time by all major American church bodies. There have been few causes which Christian groups have supported with greater consistency than that of furthering international peace and good will through the bringing together of representatives of all governments. Since this is a function of the United Nations, the only sensible thing to do is to use this world organization which we have developed and seek to improve it in every possible way. To approve the United Nations does not mean that one approved every action that body may take or may fail to take. It does mean that we believe the way ahead is the way of conference and cooperation and constructive action, rather than the way of individualistic behavior and national irresponsibility.

The Portland action called on local churches to study the work of the United Nations through materials made available by the National Council of Churches and other organizations. This is a wholesome suggestion. Christian people should not only support the principle of international cooperation, but should also seek to keep informed as to problems faced and progress made. The United Nations can accomplish the maximum of good only as people of its member nations take intelligent interest in its affairs.

Faith and Freedom Belong Together

SECURITY is to be found in the way of freedom rather than in the way of fear. This was an important emphasis in the address of Wilbur H. Cramblet at the Portland Assembly of the International Convention of Disciples of Christ. The new president of the Christian Board of Publication described "the present controversy about the burning of books on communism" as a part of a "false heresy."

"The burning of books," said Dr. Cramblet, "has always been the way of escape sought by those who fear to permit others or themselves free inquiry in the world of ideas which is the world of books."

This way of free inquiry and discussion is the only way in which a free and democratic people dare go. Hitlers and Mussolinis and Stalins can afford intolerance and repression. Indeed, they are able to exist only through the use of such means. But whenever the defenders of democracy and freedom adopt the methods of these they surrender that much to their opponents. The greatest threat to freedom comes when people who profess the way of freedom seek support of their institutions and ideals by appeals to repression and fear. It is written: "The just shall live by faith." And so too shall the free live by faith and not by fear. Faith and freedom are inseparable.

I What to Read—Spain, 1953

THE liberal Catholic journal, *Esprit,* published in Paris, tells of an amazing interpretation of freedom set forth in a Spanish catechism, "Nuevo Ripaldo." The views expressed, though repugnant to most American Christians, including Roman Catholics, would be defended by the spiritual and temporal powers that be in the Spain of Dictator Franco and Cardinal Segura.

The freedoms which the catechism attacks are: *"Freedom of conscience, freedom of worship, freedom of the press."* The latter is described as: "The right to print and publish without prior censorship all kinds of opinions, however absurd and pernicious."

Other "harmful liberties" to be abhorred are *"freedom of teaching, freedom of propaganda, freedom of assembly."* These are said to be "harmful" because "they enable error to be taught, vice to be propagated and plots against the church to be hatched."

It is further maintained that, since these "harmful liberties" are defended by "liberal publications," it is a "grave sin" to subscribe for such papers.

The catechism reveals five "signs" by which one may recognize such evil defenders of freedom and avoid sinning by squandering money on them. Really however, the faithful might just as well skip these "signs" and follow the general rule given "for avoiding error in all such cases." It is: *"Never to read any paper without obtaining approval beforehand from one's confessor."*

Such is reading in Spain.

II What to Read—India, 1953

THREE hundred million people in India who cannot read or write are on the road to literacy. While others are helping in this program of learning, the chief responsibility is that of India herself. The manner in which the government is resolutely seeking to lift the life of the people of India constitutes a major ground for hope for the future of freedom in a Far East in which all too few grounds for hope appear.

An immediate need for India is not just that more millions shall be able to read, but that they shall have something worth reading. There is a great light that comes into the eyes of a man and a great lift that is felt within the soul of one who has been illiterate and who learns to read a few simple sentences or even words. It is like walking out of the night into the day. But there lurks the danger that such a one, possessed of this new magic, may rate anything that he reads as good and important. And that he may fail to understand that the literate who reads trash will profit less from his reading than the illiterate from thought and discussion about that which is worth while. It is thus of crucial importance for India that the development of simple but good literature should keep pace with instruction.

WORLD CALL has pointed out before that the Communists have seen this opening and have produced an abundance of cheap, simple printed matter prepared from their point of view. Dr. Frank C. Laubach, who returned in May from conducting a literacy campaign in India, says there is still no simple literature available in quantities there except that of the Communists and certain pornographic material.

Here is an opportunity to aid a good cause, not by propaganda but by helping India help herself. Needed without delay is a program for training authors, illustrators and publishers and for making available facilities for production. Governments can help, if they have no axe to grind. The United Nations can help. The churches can help.

What India reads today will go far toward determining the direction in which her people will move tomorrow—and the direction of all Asia and of the world, as well.

III What to Read—the U.S.A., 1953

IN comparison with the rest of the world, a high proportion of the people of the United States are able to read, though there are a number of countries with better records. Yet we have enough illiterates and enough sections in which genuine universal, compulsory schooling simply does not exist to point up the fact that education is of national concern and not a purely local problem.

Yet by comparison, our literacy rate is high. And we have available more pages of printed matter than any other people in the world.

But what do Americans read? The question is answered in part by a glance at almost any magazine stand or book store. We recall the druggist who subscribed for several copies of WORLD CALL to place in his magazine section alongside the trash his customers wanted to buy. He wrote us that he thought WORLD CALL there would make it smell better.

What do Americans read? The question is answered in part by the fact that, with notable exceptions, our most widely circulated newspapers play up the trivial, the spectacular, the cheap and the partisan, and make no apparent effort to present a balanced and intelligible picture of what is happening in the world. America is reading that.

What do Americans read? Look for the answer in our homes, including the homes of church people. Look them over and check the reading material there, all of it—the comics, the movie magazines, the "romance" and "confession" and crime publications, the good and bad newspapers. Note too, the books and what kind they are; the magazines, serious and otherwise; the periodicals with social and religious concern. What is the picture? What does America read?

What use are we making of the unlimited newsprint available in America? What use are our papers making of freedom of the press? What use are we making of our power of selection as readers? What use are we making of our ability to read?

The Minister— Keeper of His Own Soul

While Standing among Men He Reaches up toward God, Striving to Be a Bond of Union between These Two

By JAMES A. LOLLIS*

—Photo by C. R. Dawson

James A. Lollis (left) and Hollis Lee Turley, executive secretary of the Pension Fund of Disciples of Christ, discuss the new Family Protection Program at the Portland Convention.

OF all the temptations that assail the minister, perhaps there is none so sinister as the temptation to please. There are, of course, times when he will and should please. But deeper than this desire is the sense of dedication to a ministry that has its sanctions beyond people.

A minister both works with people and leads them. This means that he must be among them and ahead of them. The lay judgment, "He is just like one of us," needs to be followed by a loftier appraisal, "He is always going before us."

An Unresolved Tension

The minister lives under the perpetual tension of seeking "at-home-ness" with his people and "at-one-ness" with his God. He never fully achieves either. He is aware, with Isaiah, that he is "a man of unclean lips" and that he "dwells in the midst of a people of unclean lips." But he also is aware of the Lord "high and lifted up." The horizontal of his parish and the perpendicular of his prayers form a cross which stands at the center of his ministry and in this unresolved tension he seeks the slow atonement of his own soul.

It is the measure of a minister's sincerity that this tension not be academic. He is dealing with the holy trinity of people and love and God. They all converge in his own heart to fill it or to break it. The minister has cast his lot with the way of good will and reconciliation. This means that he has become these things in his own life. When they flourish, his heart is at springtime; when they languish, his spirit suffers winter's chill. It must be this way, for it is this that elevates the preacher from a peddler of ideas to a mediator between man and God.

When the minister has identified himself with the "people of unclean lips," and has committed himself to God "high and lifted up," he has entered a road of desperate alternatives. He is free to join the people where they are, to partake of their lives, their thoughts, their sins—all of that because he is one of them. But he cannot stop there because he has joined himself to God, and it is his burden and his fate to know no peace till man and God stand face to face.

It is within this task of reconciliation that the minister stands forever unreconciled. He is a man among men but he is also a man before God, and between the two he is a bond of union. This is at the same time his bondage and his freedom. On the one hand he is haunted by the lures of the flesh, yet on the other he is driven by the dreams of God—desperate alternatives which leave no place for peace save the peace of Gethsemane.

Hope of Achieving Adjustment

Up to this point one would conclude that the minister is a person hopelessly torn by tensions and unresolved conflicts. Indeed, his plight may be grave but it is not hopeless. Always he has the high hope of achieving the adjustment to the world that Jesus found—the adjustment of loving every sinner while rejecting every sin. Jesus was perfectly adjusted to people, saints and sinners alike—he loved them. He was never adjusted

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Fred Vazquez, *Iglesia Cristiana's* pastor.

At *Iglesia Cristiana* A Fine Work Continues

But It Is Vitally Necessary Today to Remodel The Physical Plant of This Strategic Mexican Church that It May Extend Its Spiritual Out-Reach and Serve the Community More Adequately

TWENTY-FOUR Latin American children attend the daily kindergarten classes held at *Iglesia Cristiana,* the Mexican Christian Church in Corpus Christi, Texas. Here they receive understanding and loving guidance in Christian living from Mrs. Fred Vazquez, wife of the pastor, and her corps of volunteer workers, one of whom is Mrs. James V. Allred, a member of First Christian Church in Corpus Christi and wife of a former governor of the state.

A letter from Mrs. Allred tells of the vital importance of the work of this church, located as it is in a city of 125,000 people, 35 per cent of whom are Spanish speaking; and she emphasizes the way in which, through contacts with the children, parents are being r e a c h e d and brought into the church.

The present church building, constructed in 1947, is L-shaped. The longer side houses the sanctuary and the shorter section serves both as Sunday school classrooms and as the pastor's residence. At present, says Mrs. Allred, "The paint (on the parsonage) is peeling, the screens are bulging, the kitchen is inadequately equipped and the bedrooms are far too small to accommodate the family of seven."

A new parsonage would give the pastor and his family more suitable living quarters as well as providing badly-needed additional space for Sunday school classes.

Mrs. Fred Vazquez, the pastor's wife, shows a picture book to a group of kindergarteners.

Dr. Kuntz

The Minister— His Larger Fellowship

By KENNETH A. KUNTZ*

JESUS called his followers into a fellowship of intensity and breadth. Indeed, this was a new type of family! It was a family built upon the proposition that a man *is* his brother's keeper—a family nurtured in the deep love of God through Jesus, and expressing that love in daily conduct through the deeds of mercy, teaching and fellowship which formed the duties of this particular family. There was no opportunity for the family to become concerned about its own welfare. It seemed that this was met abundantly as others' needs were fully met. Here was a thoroughfare of life which gave out its good and received its blessings.

In the ordination service suggested in *Christian Worship: A Service Book,* by G. Edwin Osborn, we find this thought—

"We are also here as representatives of that brotherhood of believers known as Disciples of Christ. We likewise represent a larger fellowship, the church universal. In each and all of these capacities you will be witnesses and participants."

This is pertinent to all of us. We are part of a local brotherhood of believers. How often we allow this to form the perimeter of our Christian vision! We become so *busy* with the affairs at home that we forget that we are set to a larger task. The fact is that the local minister needs the larger fellowship as much as it needs him. Failure at this point means a double tragedy in that the work of Christ in the state, nation and world will not continue without the labors of local persons and groups; and the local leadership will fall into the error of provincialism.

Vision Begins in Local Church

To break the bonds of such slavery and enter as a witness and participant into the fellowship of intensity and breadth, while not extremely difficult, is often time-consuming. A larger vision begins with the local church where such concern may be developed through association with those on the staff of the local church. These are days of specialization. It is easy to give the work of an area in the church to a specialist on the staff and forget the work to be done. This leaves a fractured fellowship. The better way is to meet the needs through mutual concern, planning, prayer and action.

Again, the minister and the local group may become interested in a special project in the mission field and find their lives reaching to the uttermost parts of the world. This means that reading, study and letter-writing become a part of a larger fellowship. The local group becomes identified with those far off in the ministry of Jesus.

Next, the larger fellowship may begin to lay hold on the minister through the Council of Churches or ministerial alliance. This is particularly true when the fellowship is interracial. Here the life of the individual is enriched by the cultural contributions of other religious thought and social development. From these local beginnings rise the challenges of state, national and world needs. One of the finest qualities which comes to the life of a minister is the sense of proportion which arises out of participation in the labors of the state and larger areas of Christian work. Appreciation for another's problems—the privilege of seeing problems from another's point of view—the development of a sense of understanding for others' conduct and thought—these are but a few of the emphases of proportion which obtain.

To this larger fellowship of intensity and breadth the minister has been called to witness and participate. It is a time-consuming task. Yet there are blessings.

Blessings of the Larger Fellowship

The first blessing is that of personal inspiration and information. Information and inspiration come to us best when our minds are open to their movements. This means there must be a high sense of the ethical as the minister approaches the task of witness and participation where such benefits can accrue. It means the necessity to understand that which is not appreciated. There are many books in my library with which I do not agree. This, I am sure, does not hinder or bless the author. Yet, in making myself read them I have found a deeper appreciation for another's point of view and frequently have found inspiration and information where I least expected it.

Mrs. Hampton Adams tells of an incident which she and Dr. Adams experienced in the summer of 1948. A party of Disciples chaplains was conducting a private communion service at Berchtesgaden. Covering the chalice was a napkin in which was wrought the design of the swastika—the oldest form of the cross. Certainly, there could have been no love for what the swastika had meant in the days of Hitler; but, in this historic place it became a symbol of the meeting of the two forms of the cross. Here was a rich experience which had come out of that which had not been appreciated or sought after.

One cannot move into the realm of the larger fellowship without finding the blessing of inspiration and information which comes from those with whom we

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agree and from those who stir us because we do not agree with them.

Then there is the clearer understanding of the needs to be met. How important it is to catch the other person's point of view. Jesus was speaking of this when he said, "Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye but do not notice the log that is in your own eye?" One of the most rewarding fellowships I ever had was with a group of ministers from four different communions. We met for two years using a two-hour period to discuss different religious writings. In this it became possible to understand each person's needs and responsibilities.

It is not easy to push to one side the lives of others when you know their needs. In a recent meeting there were gathered together some one hundred ministers from many different communions and races. When the meeting began with prayer, it was difficult to think of anything but the fact that we cannot dislike those for and with whom we pray. In conversation with God we are bound together and we are blessed as we witness and participate in this ministry of intensity and breadth.

Eternal Purposes

Finally there is the blessing of a sharp vision of eternal purposes. Two thoughts have been dear to Disciples of Christ. The one is the Great Commission—"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations. . . ." and the other is the passage that says, "So there shall be one flock, one shepherd."

We accept these as true from the Scriptures. Our acceptance enjoins us to act upon our faith. No one can doubt that these statements embrace the ultimate of God's perfect will for us. The receipt of such awaits the minister's reaching toward the sharp vision of such eternal purposes. Such receiving does not come on a small, provincial order, but only when the minister moves with the open heart to witness and participate in the large family of Christ whose perimeter is beyond all our understanding; and the objective of which is to be together with him.

World Wide Communion Prayer—1953

Eternal God, our Father, we thank thee for this day of remembrance and dedication. As we come to the table of our Lord Jesus Christ, humbly confessing our sins and trusting only in his redeeming love, we pray that thy spirit may prepare us to receive the bread and the cup to the comfort of our hearts, the strengthening of our wills, and our renewal in Christian discipleship and service. We bless thee that this World Wide Communion observance reminds us of our unity in Christ and our Christian fellowship with one another. Thou hast made of one blood all the children of men to dwell upon the earth in the spirit of the Son of Man. Thou callest them into one household of faith, even the fellowship of our Lord Jesus Christ of whom the whole family in heaven and on earth is named. Thou offerest freely thy grace in him, to enable them to live like him and for him. Grant, O Lord, unto us and to all mankind the will to become thy fellow workers in this day of suspicion and division. May the purpose for which our Savior laid down his life be realized, that we all may be one in thee that the world may believe that thou didst send him. By thy spirit help us to obey that new commandment that we love one another as he hath loved us. Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy name do we give glory this day, for thy mercy and for thy truth's sake, in the name of Christ, the Savior of the world. AMEN.

The Minister—Keeper of His Own Soul

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to sin. It was this maladjustment that drove him to his lonely place of prayer, his wilderness, his Gethsemane and his cross.

When Jesus said, "I have overcome the world," he did not mean he had resolved it; he had renounced it! He had renounced everything that stood between him and people. The simplicity of this is our bitterness; the achievement of it, his power. He knew what he was for and against. This perfect adjustment to people, on the basis of loving all of them, had to operate within the larger maladjustment of evil.

It was for this reason that Jesus had to say then and has to say now, "I come not to bring peace but a sword." The issue is never settled, but the line of battle is drawn. One now knows, with him, that which he will die for and that which he will die against. He knows also that without this knowledge he may both live and die without purpose.

Adjustment within Maladjustment

To the degree that a minister is able to reach complete clarity on this point, he simplifies the course of his ministry. This adjustment within maladjustment becomes the atmosphere in which he lives.

He can now face the daily issues both of his life and parish with a sense of balance. Having realized that this seeming imbalance is inherent in his task, he accepts it with inward poise.

He takes action not on the basis of whether a thing is popular in the church or community but on the basis of what it does to people. He is liberated from the opinions and prejudices of a clique or class, and bound by a compassion for "the multitudes" even as Jesus was.

He does not sound dulcet notes for the comfort of those who live in a velvet world but he speaks with the sound of a trumpet for the sake of the oppressed, for the salvation of the oppressors and for the redemption of his own soul!

Awareness of Brotherhood

Since he is not ministering to a finger or a foot but to the whole body, he is released from a molecular ministry. He is constrained by the vast dimensions of his parish to serve all men in complete blindness to race and in keen awareness of brotherhood.

He will not ask if this is expedient; he will stand with the people against injustice knowing that he, not justice, is expendable. He will have the people of the world in his heart; and against all the strife that bruises and kills them he will set his soul, for he has been called to be their reconciliation and peace.

If it be true that one of a minister's most sinister temptations is that of pleasing people, let it be remembered that it is also true that he is continuously tempted to please God. There are many times when this temptation possesses his life like the wings of the morning; in the hardness of it his soul is made strong and in the exultancy of it his life is renewed.

Mrs. Hamilton

Children and Their Money

By MRS. CLARENCE H. HAMILTON

WHEN school days come again in September, along with new clothes and new books, the question of spending money must be considered anew. For a new year usually brings new expenses along with the new advantages and activities. Learning how to use money is a very important part of a child's education. He may be given advice by parents and teachers, but it is from experiences, happy and sad, in the actual use of money that he learns the lessons which will stay with him for life.

Today a regular weekly allowance is approved by the large majority of parents and specialists in family relations as the technique for teaching children to handle money. It is not to be withheld as a punishment any more than books would be taken away for failure to learn a lesson in history or geography.

Allowance May Begin at Six

Most parents begin the allowance when the child of six first starts to school. I know of some parents, however, who give younger children of four or five a small allowance (five pennies a week) when there are older children in the same family who receive allowances. It is when a child reaches nine or ten that the allowance becomes really important to him, for then the opportunities for spending are multiplied.

The question of how much money a child should have is always a puzzling one. Most parents begin with ten cents a week for the six-year-old and increase it by ten cents for each succeeding year. This would bring the amount up to fifty cents to a dollar, the range considered adequate for junior high school students by the majority of parents in a recent Gallup poll.

Youth Research Institute Figures

The Youth Research Institute found that the ten to twelve-year-olds have an average of sixty-five cents a week; the thirteen to fifteen-year-olds have about $1.35, and the sixteen to eighteen-year-olds have $3.15 per week from the family. Most of the junior and senior high school students earn an amount equal to their allowances.

The individual allowance must be determined on an individual basis, taking into consideration the child's expenses (carfare, milk or lunch money, dues to organizations) and whatever the parents decide they can afford to give him for his own spending or saving. From the fixed expenses the child will learn about the "running" expenses such as rent, taxes, food and the like, which must come out of the family income first. Through the use of the money over which he has complete control he has a chance to learn how to manage money wisely and develop a sense of values which will add much to his self-reliance and happiness.

There are three things to be learned in handling money: how to spend wisely, how to save wisely and how to give wisely.

A young child will spend his money impulsively on whatever takes his fancy at the moment. If he can get another dime or nickel to spend for the asking, he will have learned nothing about spending wisely. But if he has to wait a week before he has any more money to spend, he will soon learn to think twice before spending his money. This is the beginning of learning values, of making thoughtful choices. He is learning to spend wisely.

Discipline for a Future Goal

Soon he will find how little he can buy for a dime. Something very desirable costs three or four dimes, so he will be encouraged to save for the more desirable, to practice self-restraint, to sacrifice immediate pleasure for something more remote but more satisfying. This is not only teaching him to save wisely, but it is helping him grow into more mature ways of living. One's ability to discipline oneself for a future goal is a good measure of one's maturity.

But saving and spending are not the only good things we do with money. Giving is one of the ways by which we become a part of the larger community in which we live. When we hand money over to a child saying, "Here's a dollar for you to give to the Red Cross," or "Here's two dollars for your Children's Day offering," the giving will be good for the cause, but it will do little good to the child. It is *your* giving, *not his.*

Wise Giving

If, however, the child gives from his own allowance money which is his to use as he likes to spend on himself or to give to others, then *he* must decide. His money is limited. If he gives it to others he cannot spend it on himself, so he must think about the cause he will help. Then he makes his gift, his very own, and knows the warm, happy feeling that comes from giving himself. This is *wise giving* for he is giving himself with his gift.

Attitudes toward spending, saving and giving are largely determined by the parents. Christian attitudes about the use of money in the family will be considered later.

The Korean Dilemma

By B. L. HUMMEL

EDITORIAL NOTE: Mr. B. L. Hummel, rural sociologist at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, Virginia, has recently returned from Korea where he served for seven months on a United Nations Commission to prepare plans for the rehabilitation of that country. Mr. Hummel is past president of the Virginia State Convention, is associated with the National Council of Churches, the Virginia Council of Churches and has been active in the State and Home Missions Planning Council of the Disciples of Christ.

SIX months in Korea on a tour which carried me all around the world was indeed a sobering experience. The Orient was not new to me since this was my fourth trip as a representative of the United Nations. These assignments have carried me to seventeen different nations in Europe, the Middle and the Far East.

This recent trip to Korea was made to assist with an interesting and challenging attempt on the part of the United Nations to bind up some of the wounds of the most war-torn and desolate country in the world. Never before have the free nations of the world banded together to rehabilitate a country while it was still engaged in war. It is good to know that the importance of such an action is recognized, that the United Nations is willing to act on it, and that the people of Korea are given this hope and encouragement for better things to come.

Caught Between Two Forces

The Koreans, who have been under the complete domination of Japan for the past fifty years, feel that in the process of liberation they have been caught between the crushing blows of two mighty forces with disastrous results. They appreciate the defense and support which they have received from the United Nations, but, suffering as they are, they inevitably ask, "Why did our desperate little country have to be caught in such a life and death struggle before we could recover from our long period of occupation and establish our independent government on a sound footing?"

South Korea is such a little country and at best faces great difficulties in maintaining its national existence. It has an area of only 36,000 square miles. Even this limited territory is crisscrossed from end to end with one mountain range after another, and it is surrounded by a deeply indented coast line.

The soils are generally poor and badly eroded. The annual rainfall is unevenly distributed during the year. The northern portion is very cold, the southern tip moderate in temperature. Her forests are almost gone, and she is extremely short of fuel. She has inadequate coal and mineral deposits south of the 38th Parallel and both an underdeveloped and an inadequate water power.

With the loss of North Korea, she lost her hydroelectric power, her major industries, her source of fertilizer and coal. Due to the disastrous effects of war, her food production has fallen far below prewar levels. Her cities and factories, her homes and schools and public utilities of every type have been blasted. She suffers from drastic inflation and has practically no international credit or trade. Crowded into this little country with its limited and devastated resources is at present the fourth most dense population of any country in the world. South Korea has at present almost 22 million people or an average of 630 people per square mile for her entire area.

The present density of population is due in part to the millions of people who have fled from north of the 38th Parallel into South Korea. It is partly due to the abnormally high birth rate.

Exact data is not available but infant mortality had been estimated as high as 25 per cent during the first year and the death rate up to five years of age is necessarily higher. Yet the birth rate is so high that the gain in births over deaths is estimated at 1.7 per cent per year. This would double the population of Korea in a period of sixty years.

Unlimited Human Suffering

With such a density of population, such a shortage of resources, so high a birth rate, so terrible a death rate, and such a displacement of population and destruction of facilities, it is easy to see why there is almost unlimited human suffering and privation. In answer to the question as to what is needed, one can only say everything—everything in the world except more people.

But speaking in terms of quality, it is my conviction that the people of Korea are its greatest resource. It is simply amazing to see the spirit, the initiative, the self-confidence and determination which they display in the face of insuperable odds. They are intelligent, good natured, talented and industrious, and can do more with less than any people I have ever seen.

The ROK (Republic of Korea) government is just as hard pressed as the individuals and families are, and as a result has to resort to extreme methods of control, finance, employment and conscription. It is a democratic republic in form but through necessity functions almost like a police state at present. So would any other government under such extreme emergency conditions. The amazing multiplicity of ways to finance public officials and public programs would astonish anyone accustomed to direct taxation, fixed salaries, and specific appropriations.

Another surprising feature of the situation is the

A Korean orphan, who in 1951 was called "The little boy who wouldn't smile," shows that he has learned how to smile after living in an orphanage supported partly with aid from American church groups. He is Kang Koo Ri, shown holding a copy of an American magazine which published his picture shortly after the boy was found beside the body of his dead mother. Kang now is one of the orphans living at the Christian Children's Fund Orphanage in Taegu. Many young Korean war victims are being cared for in Christian orphanages in Taegu and elsewhere, which receive aid from church relief agencies in America. With Kang are two of his friends who have also lost their parents.

—RNS Photo

almost worshipful attitude that the people of Korea have toward education. This may be partly because the Japanese limited the education of Koreans during the fifty years of occupation. It is due in part to the respect that most Orientals have for the scholar.

But I believe it is mostly due to the conviction on the part of the average Korean that only through education and scientific technical training is there any hope for the future of Korea. Whatever the cause, I never before saw children or adults straining every economic and physical resource so hard to promote education.

What Can Be Done?

What can be done about the situation? I don't know all the answers, but I have lived in Korean villages and do know the people and many of the factors involved. Strange, distant, difficult and foreign as the situation seems to us here in America, we cannot ignore it. In order to preserve our ideals, our privileges, our present way of living, we must accept the responsibilities which our worldwide progress and achievements have brought upon us.

Unless through united effort, we, the free nations of the world can, through the application of Christianity and the principles of democracy, bring peace and security, food and shelter, health and happiness to the wavering and distraught nations of the world, then we will lose much of that which we now cherish.

We cannot give these things to other people. We must help them to get them for themselves. It is a long-time program, but it dare not be slow.

While I was in Korea with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, there were three other United Nations missions there working on education, health and economics. With our mission, four broad fields of concern were being encompassed in the comprehensive program of the local operating agency known as the UNKRA (United Nations Korean Rehabilitation Agency). Collectively, it constitutes a broad and commendable coverage.

We have also given assistance in the establishment of a democratic government and have strengthened the Korean military power immeasurably. None of these programs are adequately financed and only a start has been made on any of them, but they are good and must be carried forward.

But what of the church? What of the spiritual power and development that must accompany any material, political or social progress? True enough, there is a handful of missionaries, valiant souls, attempting to make bricks without straw. But the Koreans and the people of many other nations recognize that we have billions for other types of work and pennies for missions. They can't help but feel that that represents our proportionate interests.

What Is Needed Today?

What is needed in Korea today is a whole-souled, united program of Christianization on a scale comparable with military and economic endeavor. My contacts with the Korean people and with the missionary program indicate that no nation on earth is more ready than Korea to embrace Christianity wholeheartedly. It is practically a religious vacuum and reaching out for some source of hope and strength.

If we dawdle along in a halfhearted way while communism brings rapid change and drives ahead with a frenzied determination, we cannot hope really to win the peace as well as the war in Korea. But if the Christian church of the whole world is ready to unite its power through the World Council of Churches or otherwise, and bring its full force to bear upon the Korean situation, there can no longer be a question of the intentions or interests of the free world in Asia. There can be little question of ultimate success.

The Minister— His Family and His Church

Mr. Leach

By CORL A. LEACH*

IN spite of all reasoning to the contrary, the pastor's family is a community affair," says Professor James D. Wyker of the Bible College of Missouri in *A Manual for Developing the Program of the Church in the Rural Community*. It might be convenient for the minister and his family, and even sometimes for his parishioners, if he could build a high wall and on one side put a poster reading, "This side for me and my family—No Trespassing." But it just doesn't work that way!

Lighthouse Keeper in the Community

Jane may marry Bill, but if Bill happens to be a minister she may as well recognize the fact that she has assumed a position as lighthouse keeper in the community—and this does not infer that the burdens of housekeeping for the minister's wife are any lighter than those of most of the members of the congregation. In fact, with occasional visiting dignitaries, the almost inevitable committee meetings held in her living room, the troubled persons who drop in at inconvenient moments to talk to the parson, the minister's wife's job of housekeeping has added burdens that make it far from light. Many ministers' wives, too, would rather clean up the house than try to clean up cases of delinquency, and so their kitchens and dining rooms are often open to the youth of the church.

Qualifications of a Minister's Wife

The minister's family can either make him or break him, comments Mr. Wyker further. If a minister can find a woman for a wife who has a cheerful disposition and a Christian attitude he can get by, but some other qualifications are important. Training in the Bible is useful; Christian education and home economics can add to the Christian home. In this the minister and his family should, indeed, by example be the beacon light of the community.

No matter how beautifully the preacher's wife may sing in the choir, or how well she can cook in the church kitchen, the ministry of the preacher and his family can only partially succeed if the example of Christian family living is not well exemplified in their seven-day-a-week home life. Christian education and biblical knowledge are useless if the parish cannot see them in daily practice in the home of their minister. Here, indeed, may come the greatest ministry of all.

The multitudinous calls of the community upon the minister, in turn throw more of the burden of the home upon the minister's wife. Comes Tuesday evening and a planned family picnic and Dad (the minister, to you) is called to a sick bed. Mother must be the family to the youngsters, and it is her not-always-easy task to make them understand Dad's absence.

Only if they are reared in an atmosphere of a Christian home at its best, partaking in the family decisions and understanding the work of the church, can they be expected to know the responsibilities inherent in the calling of God.

Or on Wednesday there is Junior at third base in the Midget League—and Mother must be able to do Dad's share of rooting and to understand the intricacies of baseball for the post-game review. Of course, Dad wanted to be there but another of the interminable committee meetings kept him away!

Mother fortunately had stamina enough to resist the pressure of the quilting committee and to insist that Junior's baseball was of greater importance—although she may wonder when the importuning of said committee may finally warp her judgment and the quilt assume a position of greater importance than Junior.

How to Develop a Healthy Balance

Caught in the same pressures of life as the rest of us, the minister and his family have added forces pulling at them to sacrifice home life, not only for the interest of the church but for the community and all the people in it. A mutual understanding of this by the minister's family and by the people of the parish should help develop a healthy balance. It will permit the development of the minister's home as a true Christian home that can stand as an example to the community. The people of the parish must accord to the minister and his family the privilege of living a normal family life within the community.

Contribution of the Family

Reading Mrs. C. H. Hamilton's articles on family life in WORLD CALL, and turning the pages of *Hearthstone* month by month one becomes impressed by the ideal of the Christian family. No one in the community by interest, training or vocation should be so able to exemplify the practice in the home as does the minister. It does not mean that there may not be many other families in the community living as closely to Christ; but it does mean that with the special talents of the ministry the minister's family should be expected to do no less than the best that is inherent within them. When the family in the parsonage lives a normal, wholesome, Christian life it may make its greatest contribution to the community in just that way.

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Mr. Smith

The Minister — And His Supporting Brotherhood

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TWO basic considerations must be recognized regarding the economic status of the minister. One is that ministers of the gospel are men of one calling. There is little, if any, opportunity for them to increase their income from secular pursuits if they are true to their calling. Yet their salaries have always been small, allowing little opportunity to save through the active years for old age.

On the other hand, the same vicissitudes that face all men face ministers. Some meet untimely death, leaving widows and orphans. Others become physically incapacitated and face disability without income. Others live to advanced age with nothing to provide the necessities of life in the sunset years.

Seven Out of Ten Retire

Seven out of ten ministers reach retirement age. Their retirement most frequently comes about not through their desire to "quit and take it easy," but because their health is too impaired to continue, or because the church has terminated the relationship on account of age.

Facing these facts, Disciples of Christ established the Board of Ministerial Relief in 1895. Funds were collected and distributed to ministers and their families in need. When the Pension Fund came into being, it took over the work of the Board and continued to distribute ministerial relief. In a communion like the Disciples, where membership in any pension plan is always optional, the need for the continuance of such a relief fund is always present. It was quickly discovered that there could never be enough gift money to provide for this expanding sea of need.

Pension Plan Born of Need

So in answer to this problem the Disciples became more sharply aware that "even so did the Lord ordain that they that preach the gospel should live of the gospel." In this awareness the 1919 Pension System was born and the present Pension Plan came into operation in 1931.

In the years that the Plan has been in operation, it has proved itself able to provide for ministers and missionaries in old age, disability and death. To the minister the Pension Plan has meant protection, self-respect and a freedom that enabled him to give of his best. At the same time it has meant much for the church in better leadership, strengthened pastoral relationships, clear conscience and the fulfillment of scriptural obligation. Each year the Plan continues to grow in membership. At the present time more than three-fourths of Disciples churches with ministers participate in the Plan.

The Pension Plan of the Disciples of Christ was one of the first church pension plans to include protection for the minister and his family in case of his untimely death or disability. Since the inception of the Plan, however, many of the older communions have rewritten their plans to incorporate these features. Others have likewise made them a part of new plans that were brought into being.

At the same time, the main emphasis of the Disciple Plan was, and continues to be on the pension payable in retirement after the age of sixty-five. This emphasis should remain unchanged, since the majority of our ministers will face this need.

The increasing of current salaries paid to ministers upon which Pension Plan dues are paid increases the retirement pension and the widow pension. However, they do not increase the cash death benefit and the disability pension. When the Plan was brought into being, the death benefit of $1,000 and the disability pension of $600 were felt to be adequate for these needs. Increased costs of both living and dying have focused attention on the need for larger provisions here.

Increase Desired

In recent years there has been considerable desire on the part of churches and ministers to increase these amounts. All persons seeking these increases have recognized that they would call for an increase in dues.

In order to ascertain with accuracy the minimum needed in new dues to provide these added benefits, more than two years of study were spent by the Pension Fund and its consulting actuaries. From this research the Family Protection Program was proposed. It was approved by the trustees of the Pension Fund, ratified by the International Convention and is now being submitted to individual members and churches in the Pension Plan. If two-thirds of these vote to enroll in the program, it will begin on July 1, 1954. If any church or member votes not to enroll, they may deny the minister and the church these additional benefits and continue their participation under the present Pension Plan.

The Family Protection Program would add to the present Pension Plan in the following five ways:

1. In the case of the death in retirement of a pensioner who had been a member under the Family Pro-

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tection Program, it would provide pensioner's death benefit of $500, if he enrolls by July 1, 1954. Those delaying enrollment until after that date will have provided a $500 pensioner death benefit, but not to exceed the annual pension. As under the present Pension Plan the widow pension would continue.

2. Under the Family Protection Program, in the case of the death in active service of a dues-paying member less than 65 years of age, the widow or beneficiary would receive a death benefit in lump sum of one full year's salary but not to exceed $6000. Those aged sixty-five, or older, and still in active service, would receive a lesser amount determined by age from a proved actuarial table. This benefit, of course, is in addition to the $1000 cash death benefit and the continuance of the widow pension and minor child pension under the present Pension Plan.

3. Where minor children (or a child) of a member under the Family Protection Program are left full orphans, the amount of the widow pension, equally divided among the children, will be added to the regular minor child pension.

Increase in Disability Pension

4. Where the member becomes totally and permanently disabled, the amount of the disability pension will be increased for all who have been dues-paying members under the Family Protection Program by $300 a year (maximum). This means the more typical maximum disability pension would be $900 a year. Where the salary basis limits the regular pension to less than $600, the additional pension will be 50% of the regular disability pension.

5. In the case of the death in disability of a pensioner who has been a member under the Family Protection Program the same pensioner death benefit as described above applies. As under the present Plan, the widow and minor child pensions would continue.

The cost of the addition of the Family Protection Program is based on the minister's monthly salary including parsonage, and calls for ½% from the member and an amount equal to 1% for the church. The combined dues with the Pension Plan would total 3% for the member and 9% for the church.

Participation provides for the total ministry of the Disciples of Christ without reservation for health, residence or nature of work. Behind the Plan are not only the adequate dollar reserves, but a brotherhood concerned with the undergirding of the ministry through the Plan, which strengthens the church and exalts the high calling of the ministry.

The twenty-fourth annual report of the Pension Fund of Disciples of Christ notes that in 1952 there were 497 new 8 per cent dues accounts started by churches and organizations in behalf of their ministers and employees and 304 new members who began paying their individual 2½ per cent dues. As of December 31, 1952 there were 4,371 active members and 1,075 beneficiaries, a total of 5,446 covered by the Pension Plan. The member accounts were supported by 4,511 church, college and organization accounts.

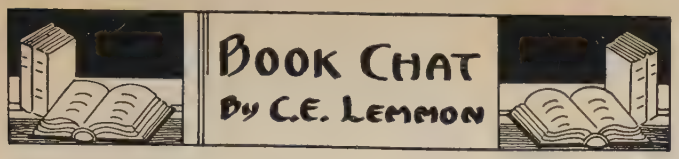
THE 1953 Assembly of the International Convention of Disciples of Christ at Portland, Oregon, July 4-9, was a notable event in more ways than one. The attendance was exceptionally large for a convention held so far from the main centers of Disciple strength. The paid registration was the largest in Disciple history with the exception of the Centennial Convention in Pittsburgh, Pa., in 1909.

THE addresses were of unusually high quality. The morning Bible lectures given by Bishop Gerald Kennedy, of the Los Angeles Area of The Methodist Church, provided thrilling insights into religious social values and commanded consistently large audiences. Anglican Bishop Stephen Neill, of Geneva, Switzerland, an officer of the World Council of Churches, held the convention at a high point of attention on the subject, "Christ Calls to Mission and Unity." Rosa Page Welch, reporting on her world tour in an address on "I Went with Christ around the World," contributed another great hour. A bon voyage service for missionaries on the closing night was an experience that evoked deep emotion, despite the lateness of the hour and the injection of an unexpected feature into the program preceding it.

STATEMENTS and resolutions adopted by the convention are matters of deep concern to many Disciples. The National Christian Missionary Convention was voted into membership of the International Convention and amendments to the constitution were adopted that will make possible a more orderly procedure with reference to applications for membership and manner of appointing the nominating committee, in addition to providing more time for the work of the Committee on Recommendations.

The convention took new high ground looking to complete abolition of segregation in facilities in cities where convention assembles are held. The action did not fully satisfy all delegates because it was not completely mandatory in its terms. It did, however, state a policy and places the convention authorities under obligation to "press unremittingly" for a completely unsegregated assembly in all respects. The appointment of a study committee under Resolution 78, which called for complete nonsegregation beginning in 1955, guarantees that the issue will not be allowed to drop.

THE Disciples of Christ are still a young body of Christians as religious groups go. Disciple growth in less than a century and a half has been phenomenal. Strongly devoted to congregational freedom, it has been difficult for Disciples to achieve the cooperation necessary to effective service in the Kingdom of God. Some brethren are suspicious of even the most reasonable procedures necessary to orderly cooperation, fearing the growth of what they call "ecclesiasticism." Admittedly, there is danger that a free movement within the whole church of God may be reduced to denominational status, but there are also evidences that Disciples of Christ can work together in orderly fashion as mature Christians without falling into this trap.



THE most challenging book on the subject of Christian unity written since the development of the ecumenical movement is *The Unfinished Reformation* by Charles Clayton Morrison. The chapters of this book were given as the Hoover Lectures on Christian Unity for the Disciples Divinity House at the University of Chicago.

Dr. Morrison argues that the ecumenical awakening of the twentieth century is after the original pattern of the Reformation which did not anticipate a divided church. His main contention is that in the development of the ecumenical movement we have not yet struck at the real evil of a divided church which is denominationalism. Now that the charters of ecumenicity have been written, he would have us face up to the evil of the denominational order. To his mind our denominations inhibit unity, limit our Christian witness, cramp the individual Christian experience, and defeat the true ecumenical spirit. He wants them abolished altogether.

In *The Unfinished Reformation* Dr. Morrison divides the denominations into two classes, the Reformed churches and the Restoration churches. Into the former he would put such churches as stem from the Reformation, the Protestant Episcopal, Presbyterians and Lutherans; and among the Restoration churches (or free churches, as they are often called) he would put Congregationalists, Methodists, Baptists and Disciples. He feels that the ecumenical thinkers have not yet come to terms with the Restorationists' thinking. He feels it is abortive to bring the Roman Catholic church into our planning on the subject of unity, for the unity of the Catholic church would be at the opposite pole from any possible unity of Protestant believers.

THE most vital book of sermons we have read for a long time is *Preaching on Controversial Issues* by Harold A. Bosley of the important First Methodist Church of Evanston. The sermons are excellent examples of what controversial sermons ought to be, solidly based on sound information, forthright in expression but irenic in tone, clear in their aim and logical in their construction. It is great preaching on the white-hot, current issues of our day. Among the subjects discussed are war and peace, universal military training, drinking, freedom in religion, communism, stewardship, and political leadership. Dr. Bosley has here the kind of preaching that will vitalize the church, strengthen the influence of the preacher, and claim the freedom which is the preacher's right.

ANDREW W. BLACKWOOD has a new book called *Expository Preaching For Today*. He calls attention to the great expositors such as Robertson and Maclaren. He outlines the spiritual and moral purposes behind expository preaching, the matter of selection of Scriptures, sermon materials, unity and variety in the sermon, the style of diction and delivery, and the effect of the expository method on both the preacher and the congregation.

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The Minister–His Family and His Church

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As the minister's family stands as a practical example, solving family problems and growth in a Christian way, the faith and confidence of the people are bound to grow. This requires understanding and restraint on the part of the members of the church. They should not make unreasonable demands on the time of the minister and his family, and they should not apply to the family standards and requirements which could not with equal justice be applied to the families of elders and deacons—or any other members of the church. This is not so much a thing of what to do and what not to do as it is a thing of attitude and spirit.

What Can Be Expected?

Should the members of the church expect the minister's wife to sing in the choir, to teach a Sunday school class, to lead a women's circle, and to cook in the kitchen? Then what is expected of the wife of Deacon Jim Brown? The minister's wife should hardly be expected to do more than her own time, strength, capabilities and Christian concern would indicate; nothing more than should be expected of any other housewife in the church.

It is those two words "Christian concern" that may make the difference and bring great leadership from the minister's family. It is more than likely that as the minister's home is a greenhouse and nursery of fine feeling, fine behavior and fine spirit, it will be the minister's wife and children who will make the party go or get the idle organization into gear. But it will be leadership born of training, experience and this Christian concern; it will not be mere action due to the compulsion of unreasonable demands on the time and interests of the minister and his family, nor any effort by the people of the church to apply family standards and requirements which could not and should not be applied with equal justice to the families of every church member.

An Enduring Relationship

A rich, enduring and profitable relationship between the minister's family and the parish is a living, vital, growing thing born of mutual understanding, respect and affection, and enriched by the experiences of all working toward their one common goal for Christ's kingdom.

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Shoeless, in traditional Japanese custom, an American serviceman tells his young listeners a Bible story.

Japan—An Evangelist's Paradise

By MICHIO KOZAKI*

POSTWAR Japan is an evangelist's paradise. So says Dr. E. Stanley Jones, who has made three evangelical tours of the country since the end of the war. His first series of recent meetings in Tokyo brought out more than two thousand people, and about 50 per cent of those attending left their names as a means of inquiring further into Christianity. His gatherings, moreover, were not limited to Tokyo, but took place all over the country.

Moral Rearmament spent a long time planning its June meetings at Kyoto in Japan for its World Assembly with Dr. Frank Buchman and his international team of two hundred. Many Japanese who are prominent in politics, business and other social spheres—not Christian but interested in the Christian religion—looked forward eagerly toward taking part.

The Youth for Christ movement held world meetings in Tokyo and many other cities in August. The famous evangelist, Billy Graham, and five hundred delegates from all over the globe attended these gatherings.

Set for September is a big "Mission Congress" in Tokyo, to be held by the United Church of Christ in Japan. This is to be a Thanksgiving meeting at the end of a five-year evangelical campaign, and at the same time the initial meeting of the One Hundred Years' Christian Movement. Protestant mission work began in Japan in 1859, and the meeting looks forward to a steady crusade accelerating until 1959.

These are some examples of the evangelical meetings taking place in the single year of 1953. There are many other meetings on a smaller scale. As a result of the closing of China for missionary work, and of the turning of Korea into a battlefield, many former mission workers in those lands have come to Japan. Some are intending to remain in Japan permanently, while others are waiting to go back to their old posts if conditions make this feasible. Japan has never experienced such a flocking together of missionaries in her history.

Besides older and well-known denominations, about 80 small, independent missions have come to start work: some of their names are utterly unknown to us. This is largely because the influence of the American occupation stirred up new interest, and because General MacArthur invited an unlimited number of missionaries without, to tell the truth, considering what kind of missionaries were most needed.

There has been a noticeable change following Japan's emergence into independence from the occupation in April, 1952. Large numbers of people, especially the young, have ceased attending church because some of them came out of curiosity, while others expected some immediate benefit through becoming ac-

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Young people answer the call to Christian service as they gather around a rose-wreathed cross at the youth night session.

Disciples Met in Portland

By RONALD E. OSBORN*

CONVERGING on the "City of Roses" in unexpected and unprecedented numbers, 8,399 adults registered for the Portland Assembly of the International Convention, July 4-9.

The theme of the convention, "The Uplifted Christ Lifts Men," found emphasis from the opening sermon of the president to the closing address. Thus a common thread ran through the thinking of the week.

Two bishops—one American Methodist and the other Anglican—delivered major addresses, but the speech by Mrs. Rosa Page Welch, "I Went with Christ around the World," drew a larger audience than any other. Only the Sunday evening observance of the communion attracted greater numbers, and because of the limited capacity of the auditorium there had to be two identical services at different hours.

Heated debate, which aroused great interest in the Portland press, flared up over two resolutions on unsegregated facilities in convention cities. The resolution which passed set a goal of "a completely nonsegregated convention without discrimination in any of its phases."

With the understanding that these conditions will be met for all meetings associated with the 1954 convention, it was voted to proceed with plans to hold the next assembly at Miami, Florida.

A feature of the convention which brought much favorable comment was a period in each session devoted to the reading of the Scripture. For ten to fifteen uninterrupted minutes, a minister read related sections of the Bible, sometimes two or three entire chapters. Delegates listened with reverence and appreciation, finding new richness in the slogan, "The Bible Speaks." Employing for the most part the Revised Standard Version, Frank F. Drowota, Kelly O'Neall, Howard C. Smith, Cleveland Kleihauer, Dougald K. McColl and Ira W. Langston read with dignity and effectiveness.

The convention seemed to make a greater impression upon Portland, and Portland upon the convention, than has been the case with some other host cities. Both local newspapers, the *Oregon Journal* and *The Oregonian,* kept the assembly on the front page of every issue from Saturday through the next Thursday and featured it in their picture sections. Both welcomed the Disciples with editorials. And the reporting showed a balance and an insight into the significance of religious affairs not often demonstrated by newspaper men. Reading the accounts written daily by Ernest W. Peterson, church news editor of the *Journal,* delegates understood why he recently received a citation for merit from the National Council of Churches.

Throughout the city, delegates found a ready welcome. Several major hotels displayed signs about the convention prominently, as did billboards on major highways leading into the city. The mayor of Port-

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land and the governor of Oregon came personally to welcome the delegates. At least 132 churches in Washington and Oregon opened their pulpits to preachers who had come for the convention. Some of these men drove or flew long distances on Sunday in order to fill these engagements with churches of several communions.

The local committee under the chairmanship of A. W. Mortensen outdid itself to provide for as large a convention as Portland has ever seen. Plans were made for 60 meetings besides the plenary sessions held in the civic auditorium, and for 45 breakfasts and dinners. Mr. Mortensen announced that the committee handled 3000 phone calls and 21,700 pieces of mail, provided first aid for 92 persons, and helped 7 lost children find their parents.

Decorations in the auditorium emphasized the convention theme. The slogan, "The Uplifted Christ Lifts Men," was emblazoned on the curtain hanging from the proscenium arch. On the stage itself a giant white cross, surrounded by roses, led like a highway toward an illuminated window showing symbols of fellowship at the Lord's Table.

In a surprise move, the Royal Rosarians of Portland bestowed degrees of "knighthood" upon the president and the president-elect and upon the governor of Oregon in the closing session. Each recipient of this honor was given a Peace Rose. At the opening session the mayor of Portland presented President H. T. Wood with the key to the city.

L. L. Dickerson, president of the National Christian Missionary Convention, reported that Negro delegates had never before been treated so well as in Portland. "We have felt great freedom and comfort here," he told *The Oregonian*. "Everybody has been splendid to us —hotel and restaurant employees, as well as everyone connected with the convention."

Availing themselves of a planned "break" in the program on Wednesday afternoon, 147 delegates rode in five chartered buses to Bonneville Dam on the Columbia River, and 546 persons filled 16 more buses for a tour of the city. Twenty preachers from Oklahoma went fishing at Depoe Bay, and it was estimated that 1500 other persons went sight-seeing in private cars. Weary delegates appreciated the break, but many failed to get back to the Wednesday night session. On the day after the convention other tours were arranged to the mountains and to the beach.

In spite of the inspiration, the fellowship, and the pleasant sidelights, an assembly of the International Convention is primarily a meeting to do business for the brotherhood. Every member agency submits a report of its work for the past year and asks approval for its contemplated program. In addition, many resolutions on matters of current concern are submitted by churches, individuals, and agencies. Thus at Portland there were some 80 items of business besides several necessary actions on the election of officers for the convention and for reporting boards.

Mrs. John Paul Pack of Seattle, at left, wife of the Convention first vice-president, stops at a booth with Mrs. Rosa Page Welch, concert artist and world traveler.

Delegates welcome an occasional break from the pressure of continued meetings. Shown getting away from it all are (standing, left to right) Lyman King, local hospitality chairman; Robert L. Lewis, assistant executive secretary, Indianapolis; Ralph C. Neill, convention press room director; Paul Roberts, local restaurant owner and owner of the boat; Richard Crews, Pampa, Tex., and President Howard Thomas Wood, Memphis, Tenn. Seated, William E. Wright, Chickasha, Okla., and W. A. Welsh, Dallas, Tex.

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The convention is well organized to transact such a volume of business. All reports and resolutions filed 30 days in advance are printed in the program book and are thus available for reading by every delegate.

Every resolution submitted to the convention goes first to the Committee on Recommendations. This body is composed of about 200 representatives elected on a proportional basis by the various state and area conventions. It carefully considers, line by line and word by word, every report and resolution. The wise and laborious work of this committee makes it possible for the convention as a whole to transact a great deal of business in a short time. The assembly may overrule the Committee on Recommendations, but seldom does. At Portland this Committee met for two days prior to the formal opening of the Convention in order to give adequate attention to the many items before it.

Even so, it is difficult for an assembly of several thousand people to do business on 80 or more items within a period of four hours and 35 minutes in any truly democratic

Robert Tobias, newly appointed director of the Committee on Ecumenical Fellowship and Service, addresses more than five hundred delegates at a luncheon given in his honor. Myron C. Cole presided.

fashion. The difficulty of time is even greater than appears at firsthand, for most of the reporting agencies were given the courtesy of a five-minute comment on their report. Thus, at the very most, there was an average period of from two to three minutes for each item of business. No one wants the assembly to be a rubber stamp, but when extended debate arises on one item, it crowds all the others even more.

At Portland the debate arose on the matter of segregation. Resolution 45 (which finally passed) set forth the goal of a convention totally without segregation. Some thought the recommendation not strong enough and urged that the convention never be held in a city where segregation is practiced at all. Others held that such an extreme action would constitute discrimination against the South. Discussion was further complicated by a request to reconsider last year's decision to hold the 1954 convention in Miami.

In the excitement many delegates did not know whether to vote for or against Resolution 45 or whether a vote for 45 was a vote for or against Miami. (It was neither.) The chair ruled that speakers be limited to one minute and was upheld by the house. After long debate, a motion to recommit the resolution with instructions to the Committee on Recommendations was ruled out of order by the Parliamentarian. Finally Resolution 45 passed by a standing vote, and the next morning the assembly ratified the decision of the Committee on Time and Place to go ahead with plans for Miami in 1954.

This episode added some excitement to the sessions and consumed about an hour of the time allocated for business. On the final day the assembly acted on 53 items, extending by only 10 minutes the allotted time of 1 hour and 25 minutes.

Every agency which holds membership in the International Convention reports on its work for the year past. Each report must include an audit of the agency's finances. The Portland Assembly approved such reports from the following:

International Convention of Disciples of Christ
Association for the Promotion of Christian Unity
Board of Church Extension of Disciples of Christ
Board of Higher Education of Disciples of Christ
Brazil Christian Mission
Christian Board of Publication
The Christian Foundation
Disciples of Christ Historical Society
The European Evangelistic Society
The National Benevolent Association of the Christian Church
The National City Christian Church Corporation
The National Evangelistic Association of the Disciples of Christ
Pension Fund of Disciples of Christ
Southeastern Christian Assembly
The United Christian Missionary Society
The Commission on Budgets and Promotional Relationships
Unified Promotion
Week of Compassion
World Call
All-Canada Committee of the Churches of Christ
The Council of Agencies
Chaplaincy Endorsement Commission.

Even to read this list of names suggests something of the farflung interests of the brotherhood and the orderly concern for them as expressed through the convention.

Several of the resolutions passed by the assembly have to do with the work of the convention and its agencies.

Henceforth the nominating committee for convention officers will be appointed from and by the Committee on Recommendations rather than chosen by the president.

The National Christian Missionary Convention, the service agency of our Negro churches, was admitted to membership in the International Convention.

The Week of Compassion will be continued annually as a period of special appeal for relief, chaplains' and veterans' services, and chaplains' pensions.

The name of every minister serving a Christian church will be list-

Aigi Kamikawa, missionary on furlough from Japan, points to one of the new illustrated Bible portions written in Japanese and published by the American Bible Society. Disciples of Christ churches helped in the publication of these booklets. Mrs. Kamikawa and their daughter, Ruth, join in admiring the display in the Bible Society booth.
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At the College of the Bible luncheon are seen (left to right) Riley B. Montgomery, president; Dean Charles L. Pyatt, retired, named fraternal delegate to the 1954 Convention of the Churches of Christ in Great Britain, and W. E. Waldrop, pastor of Central Christian Church, San Antonio, Tex., and president of the alumni association.

ed, with his consent, in the Year Book. The Committee on an Effective Ministry is to give study to the matter of adequate safeguards respecting the ministers' list.

The Family Protection Program of the Pension Fund will be launched in one year, if participation of 65 per cent of the present members is secured.

A statement entitled "Disciples of Christ Today: a Study of Our Historic Message and Mission," prepared at the request of the Board of Directors of the International Convention, will be circulated throughout the brotherhood for study.

Various resolutions suggested more effective procedures in the work of the churches.

A recommendation was referred to the Home and State Missions Planning Council that a uniform road sign be developed for voluntary use by Disciples of Christ churches.

After brief debates, the report of the committee to study preacher placement was received with commendation. It calls for the appointment in each state of a committee on the ministry to "counsel with the state secretary in matters of ministerial placement."

The use of the Revised Standard Version of the Bible was commended for private reading, public worship, and Christian education.

Goals for the support of the American Bible Society were suggested on the basis of 2½ cents per member.

Churches were asked to observe in 1954 the sesquicentennial anniversary of the *Last Will and Testament of the Springfield Presbytery* and the centennial anniversary of the death of Thomas Campbell.

A resolution on drive-in church services was referred to the Joint Department of Evangelism in the National Council of Churches for further study.

The year 1954-1955 will be observed as the period of stewardship emphasis in the Ten Year Program of Advance.

An annual award providing recognition of the outstanding service of rural ministers was instituted by the convention, and the Rev. George C. Frey of Owingsville, Kentucky, became the first Disciples pastor to be named the communion's Rural Minister of the Year. He was presented with the citation by Dale Medearis of Indianapolis.

Below, left: In the National Benevolent Association booth are J. Eric Carlson, general secretary; Miss Marjorie L. Ford, recording secretary; James H. Tilsley, manager of the Colorado Christian Home in Denver, and Miss Marie C. Hay, superintendent of the St. Louis Christian Home in St. Louis, Mo. Below, right: Carl M. Boyd, director of chaplaincy services, confers with representatives of the Armed Forces in the Military Services Booth. Left to right are Chap. Maj. Robert W. Tindall, Air Force; Chap. Lawrence Cousins, Veterans Administration; Mr. Boyd, and Chap. Lieut. Claude Ingram, of the Army.

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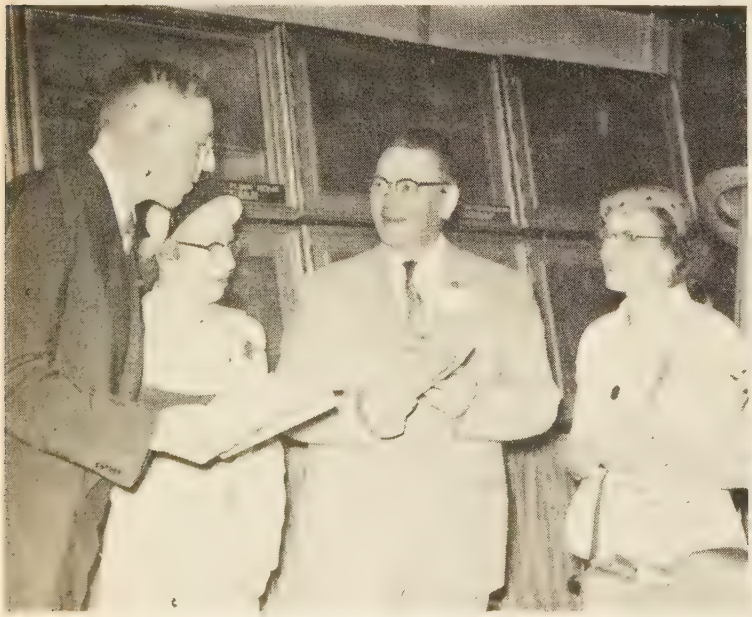


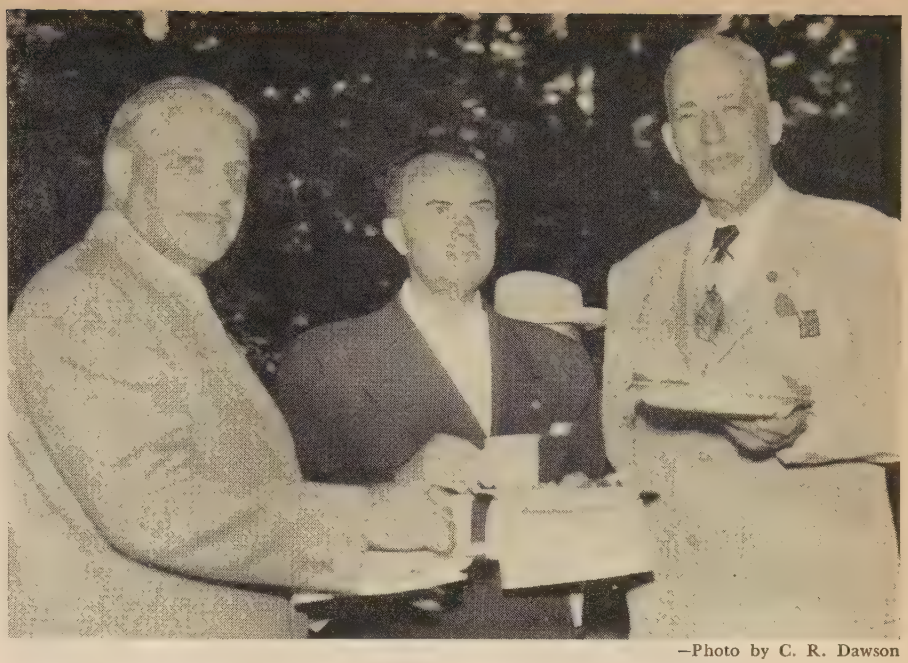
A large number of the resolutions approved by any assembly reflect the thinking of the brotherhood on current social issues.

Widespread interest was aroused in Resolution 43 "On Indian Treaty Rights." This calls upon the President of the United States to investigate the claims of the Indians that their fishing rights at Celilo Falls on the Columbia River, guaranteed forever by a treaty of 1855, are threatened by the construction of a dam at the Dalles. Malcolm Norment of the Yakima Indian Mission at White Swan presented to the convention Mr. Wilson Charlie, a member of the tribal council of the Yakima nation, who has gone on numerous delegations to Washington. He spoke briefly on behalf of the resolution, which carried overwhelmingly.

In connection with the discussion on the question, President Ross J. Griffeth of Northwest Christian College prepared a paraphrase of the biblical story of Naboth's vineyard. After he and Mrs. Rosa Page Welch had read this to the Committee on Recommendations, the paraphrase was mimeographed and distributed to the whole convention.

Two related resolutions called for increased temperance education and for a more effective attack upon the alcohol problem.

The convention urged support by our government of the aspirations for freedom on the part of dependent peoples.



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Above, three delegates with full plates enjoy the laymen's barbecue at Mt. Tabor on July 4. From left to right they are William H. McKinney, executive secretary of the department of men's work; John Ben Shepperd of Dallas, attorney general of Texas, and W. B. Pearce of Shreveport, La., third vice-president of the Convention.

Approval was voted of the United Nations, its Children's Emergency Fund, and its Covenants on Human Rights.

A resolution on the Bricker Amendment was referred for study to the Department of Social Welfare.

The convention approved President Eisenhower's request for emergency legislation to admit refugees as additional immigrants.

The assembly urged that the churches continue their program of material aid to needy areas of the world and asked Congress to continue appropriations for Point Four and the Technical Assistance Program of the United Nations.

A resolution endorsed Senate Bill 1482 to place the words, "In God We Trust," on United States postage stamps.

Resolutions on Christian treatment for veterans, on ministry to the

Below, left: Ralph C. Neill, Salem, Ore., with Mike Bureman (left) and Ralph Bureman, Alva, Okla., holding young David Bureman (right), gaze at the photographs of the babies who advocate tithing in the Unified Promotion booth. Below, right: a group in the Board of Church Extension booth. Seen from left to right are William T. Pearcy, executive secretary of the Board; Francis Bruce, pastor of the mission church located in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada; Mrs. Blanche Wickes, assistant treasurer of the Board, and standing together at the right, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight L. Hackett of Sacramento, Calif.

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handicapped, on holding conventions in cities offering equal accommodations to all members, and on Indian rights were referred to appropriate departments or committees for further study.

The address of Mrs. Rosa Page Welch, "I Went with Christ around the World," dealt forthrightly with social issues, especially the problem of race. This session drew a crowd which filled every seat in the large auditorium, distributed s t a n d e e s throughout the hall, and left scores of persons listening over the public address system in the exhibit rooms. For this address Mrs. Welch wore a sheer pastel gown from the Philippines, with butterfly-wing shoulders, as well as crystals from Japan and an ivory bracelet from Africa.

Two resolutions and a number of addresses dealt with questions pertaining to Christian unity.

Resolution 52 urged support of the various councils of churches, commended movements toward organic union, and called attention to important publications in the field. Another action transferred responsibility for conversations with the American Baptists to the Association for the Promotion of Christian Unity.

The foremost address on this subject was that by Bishop Stephen Neill, "Christ Calls to Mission and Unity." This Anglican churchman won an interested hearing at his various appearances as a guest of the convention.

Culver-Stockton College awarded honorary degrees to Bishop Neill and his associate, Miss Ruth Rouse, for their work on the history of the ecumenical movement.

A dramatic event was the luncheon in honor of Robert Tobias, at which he was introduced as Director of the Committee on Ecumenical Fellowship and Service.

Important addresses interpreted recent ecumenical gatherings at Willingen, Lund and Travancore, as well as the work of the National Council of Churches.

The gracious presence of Mr. and Mrs. Eric White and their daughter as fraternal delegates from the British Churches of Christ spoke of the wider fellowship of the brotherhood.

A popular feature was the series of morning lectures by Bishop Gerald Kennedy of the Methodist Church. His series of talks built around K i p l i n g ' s poem, "If," brought delegates hurrying from breakfast meetings by 8:40 each morning. His lectures were the best attended portion of the day sessions.

A sermon pertaining to the convention theme concluded each morning session, the preachers being Bayne E. Driskill, Frank A. Rose, J. H. Bergman, and Marvin O. Sansbury. They continued the evangelistic emphasis laid down by the president in his opening sermon.

Other important addresses emphasized various concerns of the Kingdom—Christian education, missions, and the World Convention.

One of the most moving hours was the closing session when, after an address by Spencer Austin, a bon voyage service was held for missionaries soon to depart for their fields.

A unique service of this convention was the provision of facilities for children and young people. Throughout every day competent leaders maintained a nursery, a vacation church school, and a Chi Rho program, with approximately 600 children and young people registered in these activities. Despite some argument that children are people, the 600 were not included in the official registration figure. Yet these provisions doubtless increased total attendance.

The music provided by singers and choirs of the Northwest was of a high order. Choirs from Northwest Christian College, University Church in Seattle, First Church in Salem, First Church in Eugene, and First Church in Portland sang. Ralph Prime proved an inspiring leader of mass singing, and Chester V. Earls presided ably at the organ.

The enthusiasm of our hosts will long be remembered. "Local" registration from the Northwest states exceeded the goal of 4,000, practically equalling the total registration for the Chicago Assembly in 1952. First Church, Portland, alone secured more than 500 registrations.

Cleveland Kleihauer of Hollywood-Beverly Church in California, who was voted president for the coming year, stated that his election must be regarded as a symbol of the importance of the West Coast to the life of the brotherhood.

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Newton J. Robison of Amarillo, Tex., lingers at the literary exhibit of the Christian Board of Publication where a large selection of religious books is displayed.

Below, two officials of All Peoples Christian Church in Los Angeles chat with Miss Truetta McDonald of Birmingham, Ala. At left is Jacob Harmon; at right, Eddie Ray.

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The United Society in the Convention

By J. EDWARD MOSELEY*

A SIGNIFICANT statement concerning practices and policies of Disciples of Christ in world missions was made at Portland, Oregon, in July, during the annual meeting of The United Christian Missionary Society. Dr. A. Dale Fiers, president of the Society, warned that the church must rethink its strategy to meet the changing world situation.

"We are meeting everywhere the rebound of our own efforts to lift men and enable them to share the abundant life which Christ came to give," Dr. Fiers declared. "The United Society is now working out a restatement of its world missions strategy which will be brought before the churches in due time."

In line with the plan for revamping mission programs, the United Society is undertaking a new approach to serving Negro youth through Southern Christian Institute, Edwards, Mississippi. A competent survey committee has made two recommendations concerning S.C.I., Dr. Fiers told the annual meeting. The first is a merger with nearby Tougaloo University, which is sponsored by the Congregational Church. The second is the establishment of chairs of religion at several other Negro schools.

As plans for S.C.I. develop, Dr. Fiers promised, information will be shared with the churches. "We have every confidence," he declared, "that Southern Christian Institute and its resources will be realigned on a new frontier of need and will make a continuing contribution in the missionary outreach in the homeland."

The annual meeting of the United Society was conducted on Monday afternoon, July 6, when the Convention Assembly constituted itself as the membership of the Society and took part in the necessary corporate business of the organization.

Later in the week, the annual report of the United Society for the year 1951-1952 was approved by the International Convention with a word of appreciation for efforts being made to prepare program materials on the high school and college level.

Participation of United Society staff and board people in the general Convention program was considerable. The four workshops for laymen, women, and workers with children and youth were conducted on Saturday afternoon, July 4, by personnel of the Society's departments of men's work, Christian Women's Fellowship and religious education. Of the sixteen clinics held on Monday afternoon, July 6, eleven were arranged and carried out by national secretaries and directors in the divisions of home missions and Christian education.

Thirty-four missionaries and two Indian Christians were sponsored at Portland by the Society's foreign division. These workers contributed effectively to the interest in world missions which pervaded the assembly.

In the exhibit hall, ten booths were manned by staff members from the fifteen departments of the Society, and by the Committee on Military and Veterans Services. Hundreds of local church people called at the booths to arrange for speakers, secure free literature, order mission study books and audio-visuals, and to discuss their church problems with national leaders.

The United Society's annual fellowship breakfast was held on Sunday morning, July 5. Staff people, board members, missionaries and friends of the organization attended the breakfast and saw a group of twenty-four missionaries and Christian education workers honored for giving from five to thirty years of service with the United Society.

Important annual business of the Society was dispatched in pre-convention meetings. Legal actions of the Society's Board of Trustees, reports of national staff workers to the Board of Managers and inspirational presentations of missionaries filled the pre-convention schedule. These meetings were significant and the fellowship in them was a high spot in the Convention experience for several hundred people.

*Mr. Moseley is a contributing editor to WORLD CALL.

Latin American missionaries leave the stage after receiving service pins at the United Society fellowship breakfast. Left to right: Mrs. Winifred Williams, Hugh Williams, Miss Jessie Law, Miss May Wilson, Miss Ruth Leslie, Mrs. Barton Johnson (at microphone), A. Dale Fiers, seated at right, and Miss Mayble Epp, seated at left.

—Photo by C. R. Dawson

Elections at the International Convention, 1953

DURING the business sessions of the International Convention Assembly of Disciples of Christ, elections are held for officers and commissions of the convention itself, and nominating committees of various reporting agencies bring reports for ratification. These elections are given below. Other groups hold annual meetings at the time of the Convention and elect officers for the ensuing year. Available lists of these elections are also recorded on these pages.

International Convention of Disciples of Christ

President: Cleveland Kleihauer, Hollywood, Calif. *First Vice-President:* Orman L. Shelton, Indianapolis, Ind. *Second Vice-President:* Mrs. J. Quinter Miller, Tuckahoe, N.Y. *Third Vice-President:* E. White, Jacksonville, Fla. *Recording Secretary:* Gertrude Dimke, Indianapolis. *Treasurer:* Oren D. Pritchard, Indianapolis. *Parliamentarian:* Robert W. Burns, Atlanta, Ga.

Board of Directors (term expiring in 1955): Mrs. W. Goebel Sanders, Louisville, Ky.; *(Terms expiring in 1956):* Mrs. O. Ivan Cole, Cincinnati, Ohio; Louis J. Ackers, Abilene, Tex.; Hubert L. Barnett, Wheeling, W. Va.; Beryl S. Kinser, Youngstown, Ohio; Davis W. Nutting, Wenatchee, Wash.

Fraternal Delegate

Professor Charles Lynn Pyatt, Lexington, Ky., was elected fraternal delegate to the 1954 Annual Conference of British Churches of Christ.

Commission on Budgets and Promotional Relationships

Terms expiring in 1956: Herbert L. Andrew, Columbus, Ohio; J. Clinton Bradshaw, Kinston, N.C.; George E. Hicks, Hannibal, Mo.; Charles W. Severns, San Diego, Calif.

Commission on Brotherhood Finance

Terms expiring in 1958: A. H. Wilson, West Virginia; Mrs. Forrest L. Richeson, Minnesota; Melvin Seitz, Montana.

Term expiring in 1955 (to fill unexpired term): Mrs. Thomas B. Peak, Sr., Oklahoma.

Term expiring in 1957 (to fill unexpired term): Preston Saunders, Tennessee.

Much business is transacted during the periods allowed for convention business. Here President Wood is presiding, General Secretary Gaines M. Cook is bringing the recommendations from the Committee on Recommendations, Secretary Gertrude Dimke is recording the actions. Parliamentarian Ross J. Griffeth is ready to come to the aid of the officers when need arises. Business sessions are usually well attended.

Week of Compassion Committee

Forrest L. King, Lexington, Ky. (ex officio as president of the National Association of State Secretaries); Mrs. Jo M. Riley, Kokomo, Ind.; Ernest L. Stephens, Paris, Ky.

Unified Promotion

Members and Associate Members were nominated and referred to Unified Promotion for election at the 1954 annual meeting of Unified Promotion:

Three-year terms: Elgin T. Fuller, Missouri; Mrs. W. F. Gammill, Illinois; Franklin H. Minck, Ohio; James A. Stuart, Indiana.

Associate Members for a one-year term.

MINISTERS: Harry R. Cooke, Tennessee; Norman G. Crawford, New York; Barton A. Johnson, Kentucky; John W. Love, Pennsylvania; Legan Martin, W. Virginia; D. K. McColl, Kansas; S. S. Myers, Missouri; Kenneth Seeley, Michigan; Dudley Strain, Oregon; James H. Welsh, Illinois.

LAYMEN: Elmer Anthony, Georgia; A. N. Boatman, Oklahoma; Russell Koppin, Michigan; James E. Lowry, Jr., Indiana; R. E. McWilliams, Indiana; Martin Morton, Nebraska; Densmore Peterson, Iowa; Roy Royalty, Kentucky; Glenn E. Seitz, Montana; Fred Stanley, Kansas.

LAYWOMEN: Mrs. Oliver Adams, Arkansas; Mrs. Charles F. Bailey, Texas; Mrs. D. J. Brodman, Georgia; Mrs. C. F. Close, Illinois; Mrs. Owen Crist, Iowa; Miss Goldie Crossfield, Alabama; Mrs. Olive Hoke, Indiana; Mrs. Arthur C. Thomas, Ohio; Mrs. E. R. Tweddale, Michigan; Mrs. Kenneth Wehl, Oklahoma.

Board of Church Extension Board Members

Terms expiring Dec. 31, 1956: H. C. Gemmer, Indianapolis; William S. Hamilton, Pawhuska, Okla.; G. L. Messenger, Stillwater, Okla.; Kenneth B. Seeley, Kalamazoo, Mich.; Robert G. Sulanke, Muncie, Ind.; John C. Updegraff, New Albany, Ind.

Terms expiring Dec. 31, 1955: A. C. Brooks, Indianapolis, Ind.; Lloyd V. Channels, Flint, Mich., Hoke S. Dickinson, Cleveland, Ohio; C. O. McAfee, Macon, Ga.; Robert Merricks, Charleston, W. Va.; R. Melvyn Thompson, New Castle, Ind.

Term expiring Dec. 31, 1954: David Jones, Decatur, Ill.

Term expiring Dec. 31, 1953: Kenneth B. Seeley, Kalamazoo, Mich.

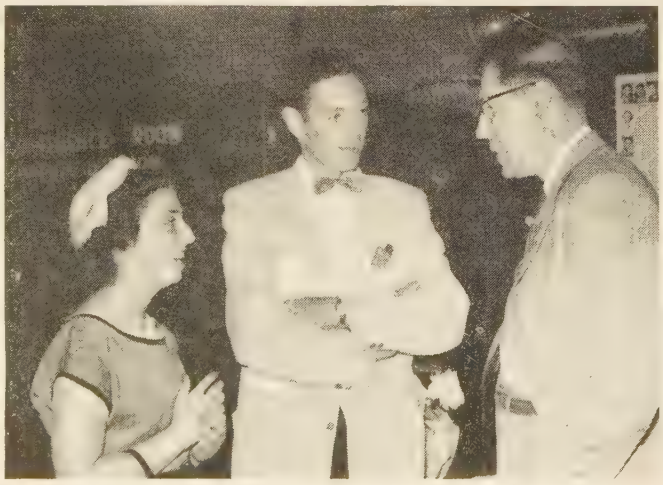
Pension Fund

Trustees, for a term of 5 years, 1954-58: William H. Book, Indianapolis; C. Carleton Hill; Doyle Zaring, Indianapolis.

Association for the Promotion of Christian Unity

Commissioners (terms expiring in 1956): Homer W. Carpenter, Louisville, Ky.; Myron C. Cole, Portland, Ore.; F. E. Davison, South Bend, Ind.; Floyd Faust, Columbus, Ohio; Ira W. Langston, New York City; E. S. Moreland, Cincinnati, Ohio; M. E. Sadler, Fort Worth, Tex.; H. L. Smith, Indianapolis.

President: Hampton Adams, St. Louis. *Vice-Presidents:* R. B. Montgomery, Lexington, Ky., and Irvin E. Lunger, Chicago. *Treasurer:* H. L. Smith, Indianapolis. *Executive Secretary:* George Walker Buckner, Jr., Indianapolis.



Meeting old friends is one of the joys of a convention. Roland K. Huff of Hutchinson, Kansas, visits with Mr. and Mrs. Byron Spice who were missionaries in Mexico when Mr. Huff visited there a year ago. After furlough, Mr. and Mrs. Spice will go to Paraguay for their next term of service.

National Benevolent Association

Trustees, for terms of 3 years: Mrs. Walter H. Beste, Frank B. Coleman, S. L. Culler, St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. R. M. Fredeking, Webster Groves, Mo.; Hallie E. Gantz, Tulsa, Okla.; Oreon E. Scott, St. Louis; J. M. Silvey, Columbia, Mo.

Trustees, for term of 2 years: Leslie H. Heuston, Jacksonville, Ill.

Board of Higher Education

Members of the Board for terms of 3 years: Osborne Booth, Bethany, W. Va.; W. H. Cramblet, St. Louis, Mo.; Stephen J. England, Enid, Okla.; Myron T. Hopper, Lexington, Ky.; D. Ray Lindley, Fort Worth, Tex.; H. L. Smith, Indianapolis; Leslie R. Smith, Lexington, Ky.; Fred West, Bethany, W. Va.

Disciples of Christ Historical Society

President: W. E. Garrison, Houston, Tex.

Board of Directors (3-year terms): Miss Goldie Crossfield, Gadsden, Ala.; Enos Dowling, Lincoln, Ill.; Miss Mayble Epp, Indianapolis; Ross Griffeth, Eugene, Ore.; Earl West, Henderson, Tenn.; Chester P. Hensley, Bloomington, Ill.; G. Curtis Jones, Nashville, Tenn.; Raymond G. McAllister, Webster Groves, Mo.; Henry K. Shaw, Elyria, Ohio; Charles C. Ware, Wilson, N.C.

Executive Committee, members at large: Robert W. Burns, Atlanta, Ga.; Miss Eva Jean Wrather, Nashville, Tenn.

Chairman of Board: William G. West, Chattanooga, Tenn. *Vice-Chairman:* Forrest F. Reed, Nashville, Tenn. *Secretary:* Howard Short, Lexington, Ky. *Treasurer:* Miss Eva Jean Wrather, Nashville, Tenn.

Ministers' Wives Fellowship

President: Mrs. Leslie R. Smith, Lexington, Ky. *Vice-President:* Mrs. Chas. A. Day, Taylorsville, Ill. *Secretary:* Mrs. R. H. Peoples, Indianapolis, Ind. *Treasurer:* Mrs. Ben Bobbitt, Des Moines, Ia.

Military Chaplains Association of the Disciples of Christ

President: Allan S. Estill. *Vice-President:* Chaplain (Major) Robert Tindall. *Secretary-Treasurer:* John Osberg.

The United Christian Missionary Society

Board of Managers

Paul Stauffer, First Christian Church, Frankfort, Ky., was elected Chairman of the Board of Managers. Mrs. David Nelson Sutton, West Point, Va., was named Vice-Chairman. They will serve for one year and will officiate at the next annual meeting of the United Society.

Members of Board of Managers (terms expiring in 1956):

ALABAMA—J. Wayne Drash, Birmingham; Miss Goldie Crossfield, Gadsden.

CALIFORNIA—Mrs. D. F. Jorgensen, Altadena; R. W. Blackburn, Coachella; Leland Cook, San Diego.

CANADA—Francis W. Bruce, Edmonton, Alberta; R. E. Shaw, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

GEORGIA—Homer W. Fortson, Macon.

ILLINOIS—Mrs. C. F. Close, Kankakee; Paul P. Schermer, Pekin; Mrs. Earl Scarbeary, Rantoul; Mrs. W. D. Madison, Peoria.

INDIANA—Howard E. Anderson, Bloomington; Frank Helme, Rushville; Mrs. Robert Townsend, Franklin; Robert T. Beck, Fort Wayne.

IOWA—C. S. Linkletter, Atlantic.

KANSAS—Mrs. Harold G. Barr, Lawrence.

KENTUCKY—Mrs. W. Goebel Sanders, Louisville.

LOUISIANA—Mrs. E. E. Russell, New Orleans; Mrs. A. M. Depew, Shreveport.

MICHIGAN—A. H. Martin, Grand Rapids; Mrs. Kenneth Seeley, Kalamazoo.

MISSISSIPPI—Perry L. Stone, Woodville.

MISSOURI—Mrs. Milton Duvall, Clarksville.

N. CAROLINA—Cecil A. Jarman, Wilson.

OHIO—Carl R. Brown, Lakewood; Frederick E. Harrell, Cleveland; Mrs. Herman H. Strietmann, Cincinnati; Mrs. Arthur C. Thomas, Youngstown.

OKLAHOMA—Dale Boren, Wewoka; Mrs. Edwin Reinhardt, Tonkawa.

PENNSYLVANIA—Mrs. J. D. Kerfoot, Uniontown.

TEXAS—George R. Davis, Wichita Falls; Mrs. H. C. Farrar, Dallas; Elmer D. Henson, Houston; Mrs. Clarence Saint, Paris; Mrs. Lawrence Bash, Austin.

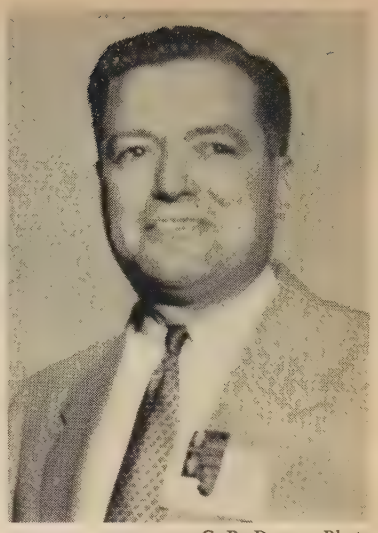
VIRGINIA—Mrs. David Nelson Sutton, West Point.

WYOMING—A. J. Dowler, Casper.

Board of Managers (terms expiring in 1955):

IOWA—Mrs. Russell Nicholson, Des Moines.

MISSOURI—Fidel Reyes, Kansas City.



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Paul Stauffer, Frankfort, Kentucky, is the newly elected chairman of the Board of Managers of The United Christian Missionary Society. He is minister of First Christian Church at Frankfort, and has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the United Society for a number of years.

Vice-President—United Society

Miss Jessie M. Trout was elected Vice-President of the United Society for a four-year term ending 1957.

Board of Trustees—United Society

Membership for 1953-54 will be the same as for 1952-53. See 1952 Year Book.

1954 Nominating Committee—United Society

Harry Bridwell, Buffalo, N.Y.; Mrs. Paul Davis, Bloomington, Ind.; Carlton Garrison, Independence, Kans.; G. R. Goldner, Cleveland, Ohio; Mrs. I. C. Harrison, Little Rock, Ark.; Wilbur S. Hogevoll, Alexandria, Va.; Mrs. J. D. Howell, Austin, Tex.; R. E. Jarman, Greensboro, N.C.; Mrs. Claude Jewsbury, Jacksonville, Ill.; Karl Lewis, Fresno, Calif.; Mrs. G. W. Manning, Albany, Mo.; Mrs. F. M. Marler, Albia, Ia.; John Norman, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; Orval Peterson, Yakima, Wash.; Tom Pletcher, Newcastle, Pa.; C. F. Schwab, Decatur, Ga.; Mrs. C. C. Smith, Portland, Ore.; Mrs. R. M. Watt, Lexington, Ky.; Mrs. James Wilson, Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. J. B. Young, Minneapolis, Minn.

Orval Peterson was named *Chairman* of the Nominating Committee; John Norman, *Vice-Chairman;* and Mrs. I. C. Harriman, *Secretary.*

Mr. and Mrs. Lee E. Gordon, Blue Mound, Illinois, visit with Mrs. P. D. Sukhnandan. They were guests in her home last year when they visited India. Mrs. Gordon is the World Call Secretary in Blue Mound. Second from the left is Miss May Wilson, a Disciples of Christ missionary to Mexico and home on furlough at the present time.

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School of Religion
Butler University
Indianapolis, Indiana

DR. T. W. Nakarai, head of the department of Semitic language and literature, spent part of the summer participating in an Israel Workshop sponsored by the National Association of Professors of Hebrew.

The party flew from New York to Israel and spent the summer engaging in the study of archaeology, geography, history and language. Headquarters were set up in Jerusalem. On the return trip Dr. Nakarai attended a meeting of Old Testament scholars in Copenhagen, Denmark.

The European travel seminar sponsored by the School of Religion visited points of interest abroad this summer. Directed by Dr. Walter W. Sikes, head of the department of social ethics, the tour had as its aim to study the role of the church in various social situations and the influence of the church in society. The seminar participants visited England, France, Switzerland, Italy and Germany.

Texas Christian University
Ft. Worth, Texas

Noel L. Keith, assistant to the president, has received the degree of Doctor of Theology from Iliff School of Theology, Denver, Colorado. He holds three other degrees from Texas Christian University.

John B. Payne, of Webster Groves, Missouri, has been awarded a Fullbright scholarship to study at the University of Heidelberg in Germany. He was graduated from T.C.U. last May.

Drake University
Des Moines, Iowa

Edwin L. Becker is the new assistant professor in applied Christianity at the Bible College of Drake University. For the past three years he has been on the faculty of the Yale Divinity School as instructor in rural church and Disciple polity. He formerly taught at Butler University and at Brite College of the Bible, Texas Christian University. He is the son of Paul Becker, minister of the Christian Church at Norwalk, Iowa.

Russell Saunders, instructor of organ at Drake University, has been awarded a Fullbright scholarship for study in Europe during the 1953-54 school year. He will study in Frankfort, Germany, under Helmut Walcha, noted organist, and plans to take additional work in Paris.

A collection of more than 270 volumes from the library of the late Prof. A. D. Veatch has been given to the Bible College. Professor Veatch was a member of the Bible College faculty from 1900 to 1942 and professor emeritus until his death last summer.

Phillips University
Enid, Oklahoma

Two hundred and forty-four degrees were conferred on representatives from 24 states and three other countries in the June commencement. The address was given by Roger S. Phillips, publisher of UNITED NATIONS WORLD.

Honorary Doctor of Divinity degrees were conferred on Cecil A. Denney, minister of First Christian Church, Miami; J. Wayne Drash, minister of First Christian Church, Birmingham, Alabama, and Col. Edwin L. Kirtly, Washington, D. C.

For the first time in the history of Phillips University, a citation of outstanding service in the field of the rural church was presented to George O. Bell, state evangelist and rural church worker in Oklahoma.

Butler University
Indianapolis, Indiana

A successful five-day workshop in the field of audio-visual education was held at Butler University during the summer. The forums were led by eight experts in the field and both undergraduate and graduate credit was granted.

Eureka College
Eureka, Illinois

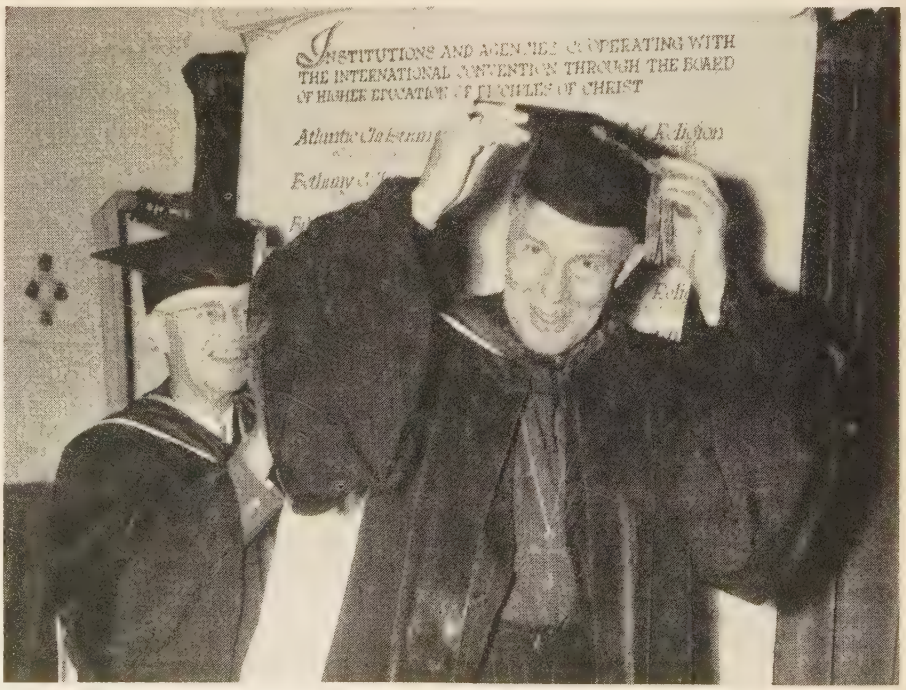
Dr. Jay R. Calhoun has been named to the faculty of Eureka College in the field of religion and English literature. For the past year he has taught at Butler University and is a graduate of the University of Washington and the University of Chicago.

Bethany College
Bethany, West Virginia

Dr. Perry E. Gresham has assumed his duties as president of Bethany College. Dr. B. R. Weimer, dean of faculty, had been acting president during the year.

Dr. Weimer has announced the appointment of Michael Gattozzi, of Cleveland, as

Anglican Bishop Receives Honorary Degree



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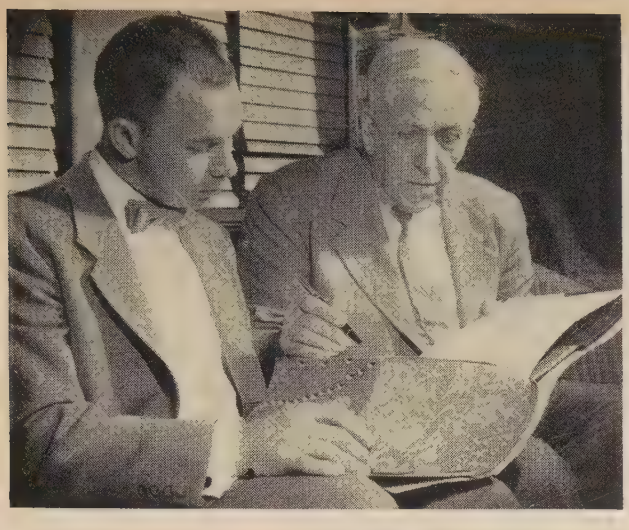
Culver-Stockton College, Canton, Mo., presented the degree of Doctor of Divinity to Bishop Stephen Neill, Church of England leader with the World Council of Churches, at the International Convention Assembly in July. In this picture Dr. H. L. Smith, president of the Board of Higher Education of the Disciples of Christ, is shown at the left helping Bishop Neill prepare for the presentation of the degree. Bishop Neill is executive vice-chairman of the committee on the history of the ecumenical movement.



Oreon E. Scott, right, autographs for Stuart Henderson, Drake University senior, the dictionary which Mr. Scott presented to Mr. Henderson as winner of the 1953 Oreon E. Scott award. This award goes annually to the Drake graduating senior who has been of the greatest service to the university. Mr. Scott is chairman of the board of directors of the Christian Board of Publication and lives in St. Louis, Mo.

—Drake Photo

an instructor in instrumental music, and George Brewer, of Michigan, as instructor in voice. This represents an increase of one full time instructor in fine arts.

Atlantic Christian College
Wilson, North Carolina

Dr. Travis A. White, formerly of Lubbock, Texas, arrived on campus and assumed his duties as president on July 15. He succeeded Dr. D. Ray Lindley who took up his responsibilities as administrative vice-president of Texas Christian University on June 1.

Approximately three hundred students were enrolled in the summer session, making an increase over the previous year.

Dr. R. B. Cutlip of the faculty of the University of Houston, has been appointed professor of elementary education and dean of men at Atlantic Christian College.

College of the Bible
Lexington, Kentucky

With the beginning of the fall quarter, Dr. Robert F. Johnson assumed his duties as associate professor of Old Testament succeeding Dean C. L. Pyatt, who has taught Old Testament at the College of the Bible for the past thirty years. Dean Pyatt retired in June.

Dean Pyatt delivered the commencement address to the largest graduating class in the history of the institution. Dr. Myron T. Hopper succeeds Dr. Pyatt as Dean of the College.

Chapman College
Los Angeles, California

Mrs. Miriam Terry, missionary to India, spent her furlough at Chapman College where she received her bachelor of arts degree in June. Miss Carol Terry, also of India, received her bachelor's degree in June. They are not related.

Dr. Guy Davis, professor of New Testament, spent the summer months in Palestine. The college annual was dedicated to him this year.

Japan—An Evangelist's Paradise

(*Continued from page* 18)

quainted with Christianity. Those who now go to church are far more serious; they are seeking spiritual truth or comfort. Many of these people have lost their hope in life, suffering both physically or materially, and spiritually. The number of those who are now serious in their religious purpose is very large, perhaps twice or three times as large as in prewar days.

On the other hand, there are many signs of a reaction against America, these feelings growing out of the occupation. The greatest of these anti-American reactions is one of deep disappointment at the descent of America from its high ideal, as many people see it, and its failure to work harder for international peace. So many people dared hope that after this war peace would come, and there would be an end to war forever. More and more such thinking is evaporating, and people are plunged into discouragement.

Many Americans in Japan

Another Japanese reaction comes from the fact that the people here saw, for the first time, so many Americans living in their country. Unfortunately, bad and disagreeable conduct on the part of occupation personnel rankles in many Japanese minds, and in consequence there is a letdown in the respect and admiration generally felt towards Americans in the old days. There is a strong tendency to seek ways in which to re-emphasize the old Japan.

Japan, after all, is still a pagan land even after the war. Two great religions, Buddhism and Shintoism, claim the majority of the people, and their influence, not so much in religion but in ways of life and tradition, holds the people very strongly. There are many well-educated and highly respected people in these religious groups. I have been asked often by young seekers after Christianity why they should need to become Christians, as long as Japan has these old religions.

In such a situation, it is clear that it will require immense time and effort to spread Christianity in Japan during these postwar days. You cannot really make Christians in a short time, in the way that many of the new missionaries believe they are doing, by baptizing people so easily. Baptism is not enough; it takes a long training in Christian life, in which Bible reading, prayer and regular church attendance are all involved. Missionaries who genuinely expect to contribute to making Japan Christian should be prepared to live all their lives here and if possible send second and third generations—as some of them are doing.

In this land we urgently need strong Christians. We need them in numbers and quality. We need a well-organized and a well-established church. This is a conviction which grows out of thirty-two years as a pastor, and seventy-three years of church life put in by my father and myself.

The Kyodan, the United Church of Christ in Japan, includes over 75 per cent of the Christians in the country. It is the hope of this body to have a Christian leverage and influence in a real and penetrating sense —a power that will make itself felt in politics, in economics, and in the social life of the whole people.

Ten Per Cent Legion Grows

FORTY-four more churches made the World Call Ten Per Cent Legion in 1952-53 than the year before. The figures on these pages of the Legion churches stand as a credit to the service so generously given by World Call secretaries this past year. Between July 1, 1952, and June 30, 1953, a total of 733 churches sent in subscriptions representing ten per cent or more of their resident membership as reported in the 1952 Year Book. Those starred (*) have achieved the distinction of having twenty per cent or more of their membership subscribing to WORLD CALL.

	No. of subscriptions	Per Cent subscribing
ALABAMA		
Anniston, First	34	13
Athens	50	21*
Cullman, First	35	28*
Demopolis	11	18
Eutaw	12	16
Florence, First	27	13
Huntsville	12	13
Jasper, First	17	14
Selma	64	17
Tuscaloosa, First	20	10
ARIZONA		
Phoenix, Creighton	39	14
Mesa, First	14	14
Willcox, Community	18	38
ARKANSAS		
Arkadelphia	11	24*
Blytheville, First	23	10
Camden, First	22	15
DeQueen, First	20	26*
ElDorado, First	70	15
Hot Springs, First	74	15
Jonesboro, First	33	15
Little Rock, Pulaski	44	19
Little Rock, Wright Avenue	16	12
Marianna, First	15	12
Newport, First	15	13
CALIFORNIA, NORTH		
Corning	24	10
Dinuba, First	28	11
Dos Palos	10	17
Eureka, First	47	17
Fortuna	15	11
Fresno, Belmont Avenue	70	14
Hanford	32	12
Lodi	30	12
Oakland, Fruitvale	48	13
Oakland, Mills Terrace	36	19
Pacific Grove	30	31*
Palo Alto, First	29	17
Richmond, Barret Avenue	26	11
San Francisco, First	81	19
San Francisco, Ocean View	13	22*
San Francisco, West Side	44	12
San Lorenzo, First	27	25*
San Mateo	20	11
Santa Cruz, Garfield Park	65	31*
Tracy, First	11	13
Trowbridge, Fairview Community	11	15
Turlock	41	13
Vallejo, First	38	12
Watsonville	34	12
Winters	17	12
Yuba City	20	17
CALIFORNIA, SOUTH		
Arlington	34	22*
Bakersfield, First	123	10
Baldwin Park, First	28	18
Beaumont	24	19
Bellflower, First	101	14
Brawley, First	25	17
Chula Vista, South Bay	16	16
Coachella Valley	19	23*
Covina	27	11
East San Diego, East Side	53	11
El Monte, First	52	12
Glendora	76	24*
Hemet	20	12
Hollydale	20	11
Huntington Park	100	10
Long Beach, Bixby Knolls	30	18
Long Beach, East Side	98	12
Los Angeles, Cypress Park	30	14
Los Angeles, Eastmont	20	11
Los Angeles, Highland Park	28	11
Los Angeles, Hollywood-Beverly	182	12
Los Angeles, Monroe Street	21	14
Los Angeles, Morningside Park	24	19
Los Angeles, Tujunga Blvd.	18	15
Los Angeles, Vermont Square	18	10
Los Angeles, Wilshire	196	18
Monrovia	76	15
Monterey Park	21	46*
North Long Beach	39	11
Oceanside, First	28	16
Ontario, First	61	18
Pasadena, Bethany	63	17
Pasadena, Central	105	13
Paso Robles	18	15
Redondo Beach, South Bay	45	11
Rialto	19	11
Riverside, First	113	18
San Bernardino, First	78	10
San Diego, Central	82	12
San Diego, Pacific Beach	26	20*
San Diego, University	248	23*
San Dimas, First	29	28*
San Pedro, First	35	13
Santa Barbara, First	42	14
Santa Maria	37	16
Santa Monica, Sunset Park	18	17
Santa Paula	26	22*
S. Pasadena	12	13
Torrance, First	29	13
Ventura, First	63	24*
CANADA		
Alberta, Edmonton, Central	20	13
British Columbia, Vancouver, Central	13	17
Manitoba, Winnipeg, Home Street	24	24*
Nova Scotia, Halifax, North Street	15	12
Nova Scotia, Weymouth	10	15
Ontario, Guelph	14	14
Ontario, Owen Sound	18	20*
Ontario, Ridgeway, Windmill Point	20	34*
Ontario, Toronto, Hillcrest	54	13
Ontario, West Lorne	10	14
Ontario, Windsor, Giles Blvd.	22	18
P.E.I., Summerside, Central	10	16
Saskatchewan, Regina, Central	16	25*
COLORADO		
Alamosa	10	14
Ault	14	14
Burlington	22	18
Delta	22	33*
Denver, East Side	38	10
Denver, South Broadway	111	15
Fort Morgan, First	58	18
Greeley, First	81	13
Ordway	51	36*
Palisade	18	16
Paonia	11	16
Salida	18	12
Sterling	35	14
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA		
Antioch, Vienna, Virginia	13	18
Bethesda, Maryland	16	11
Tacoma Park, Maryland	37	23*
Shepherd Park, Washington	51	23*
FLORIDA		
Bartow, First	13	14
Bradenton, Central	14	11
Coral Gables, First	43	13
Ft. Lauderdale, Croissant Park	42	11
Ft. Pierce, First	20	12
Gainsville	20	14
Haines City, First	19	20*
Jacksonville, Fairfield	11	12
Jacksonville, First	109	23*
S. Jacksonville, St. Nicholas Park	18	20*
S. Jacksonville, South Side	23	13
Lakeland, First	48	15
Miami, North Dade	15	14
Ocala, First	26	14
Orlando, Central	58	10
Pensacola, First	41	16
Sarasota, First	35	17
Sebring	16	21*
Tallahassee, Capitol	16	14
Zephyrhills	12	20*
GEORGIA		
Atlanta, First	106	12
Atlanta, West End	33	13
Augusta, First	37	15
Brooks	18	51*
College Park, Columbia Avenue	13	10
Columbus, Central	35	12
Griffin, First	34	10
Guyton	13	16
Logansville	10	20*
Sandersville	22	16
Thomasville	10	17
West Point	17	15
HAWAII		
Honolulu, First	27	15
IDAHO		
Coeur d' Alene	46	15
Homedale	15	18
Jerome, First	19	15
Twin Falls, Valley Church	22	42*
ILLINOIS		
Allendale, First	39	20*
Arcola	27	11
Barry, First	22	13
Bement	17	12
Blue Island, Orchard Street	21	14
Blue Mound	56	14
Buffalo	10	14
Cairo, First	14	10
Cameron	20	11
Cameron, Coldbrook	19	11
Carthage, First	33	12
Casey	22	10
Chicago, Jackson Blvd.	20	11
Cuba	13	12
East St. Louis, First	61	10
Eureka	72	13
Farmer City	25	11
Flanagan	20	17
Hamilton, First	27	10
Harristown	20	13
Jacksonville, Lynville	10	11
Lexington	12	10
Litchfield, Barnett	13	37*
Long Point	21	18
Maroa	28	15
Milford	35	18
Niantic	25	11
Oak Park, Austin Blvd.	41	10
Oreana	12	17
Pontiac, First	22	12
Princeton, First	27	16
Rantoul	30	13
Rushville, First	37	11
Stanford, First	18	11
Ursa	25	10
Virden, First	29	13
Waverly	10	13
INDIANA		
Alexandria, First	44	15
Arcadia, Omega	16	11
Atlanta	37	11
Atlanta, East Union	23	15
Chesterfield	17	12
Crawfordsville, Whitesville	16	14
Daleville	30	20*
Danville, First	78	11
Decatur	10	10
Delphi	36	18
Edinburg	37	12
Evansville, East Side	145	38*
Fairmount	19	25*
Fountain City, Bethel	13	16
French Lick, First	15	11
Gary, Central	77	11
Glenwood	18	45*
Glenwood, Orange	14	19
Greenfield, Nameless Creek	11	11
Greentown, Meridian Street	50	25*
Hillsboro	23	15
Huntingburg, Central	21	12
Huntington, Buckeye Rural	11	12
Indianapolis, Central	140	11
Jeffersonville, First	76	10

Churches *in Legion* with Greatest Gain in Subscriptions

	No. of Subs.	Gain over 1951-52
Seattle, Washington, University	553	352
Yakima, Washington, First	320	202
Lexington, Kentucky, Central	296	197
Nashville, Tennessee, Vine Street	249	130
Lima, Ohio, Central	89	64
Danville, Indiana	78	58
Dallas, Texas, Oak Cliff	142	57
Toledo, Ohio, Hampton Park	131	55
Dallas, Texas, Pleasant Grove	54	51
Nashville, Tennessee, Woodmont	142	49

	No. of subscriptions	Per Cent subscribing
Kokomo, Macedonia	11	33*
Kokomo, Rich Valley	11	19
LaFontaine	26	10
Lizton	22	10
Lynn, Spartanburg	11	15
Monticello, Oak Grove	14	13
Morgantown	15	15
Muncie, University Church	13	13
New Albany, Tunnel Hill	27	27*
Noblesville, Refuge	18	19
Pittsboro	27	11
Remington, First	11	11
Rolling Prairie	10	10
Rushville, Bend Davis Creek	12	10
Valparaiso, First	73	10
West Lafayette, Federated	34	20*
Wolcott	26	17
IOWA		
Albia	66	12
Alburnett	13	15
Ames	86	13
Atlantic	24	10
Bloomfield	128	14
Bondurant	11	10
Chariton, Belinda	26	25*
Coggon	29	19
Cumberland	12	11
Dallas	13	14
Davenport, Cedar Memorial	30	20*
Deep River	12	17
Des Moines, Indianola Heights	29	18
Des Moines, Mondamin	20	12
Estherville	39	10
Fairfield, First	64	11
Garwin	15	15
Goldfield	13	21*
Indianapolis, What Cheer	14	12
Iowa City, First	30	10
Kalona	18	26*
Keosauqua	13	11
Lake City, Woodlawn	51	12
Liscomb, Bethel Grove	10	13
Milton	28	28*
Muscatine	14	14
Nevada	19	10
Norwalk	13	10
Oakland	26	13
Ottumwa, Davis Street	86	10
Pleasant Hill	12	11
Republic Community	12	10
Rock Rapids	14	10
Washington	62	19
Whitten	10	11
Woodward	15	11
KANSAS		
Belleville, Central	17	11
Caldwell, Central	28	11
Chanute, First	94	14
Clearwater	26	10
Colby	26	13
Colony	15	15
Concordia, First	18	11
Goodland	39	13
Great Bend, First	89	12
Hutchinson, Park Place	50	16
Kinsley	18	11
Lakin	15	31*
Larned, First	54	12
Latham, First	10	10
Macksville, First	41	18
Medicine Lodge, First	71	14
Merriam	17	12
Nickerson	25	12
Norwich	12	10
Osborne	17	10
Overland Park	12	16
Sawyer	12	11
Scott City	120	18
Stafford, First	63	19
Topeka, Central Park	39	10
Topeka, First	142	11
Ulysses	31	16
Utica	19	14
Wichita, Millbrook	18	14
Wilmore	11	17
KENTUCKY		
Albany	11	11
Ashland, First	91	17
Bardstown, Botland	11	15
Boston	24	11
Buechel, Fairview	21	26*
Burlington, Bullittsville	14	11
Cadiz	12	16
Central City	13	10
Clinton, First	23	18
Crestwood, Central	23	12
Frankfort, Bridgeport	19	20*
Fulton, First	25	16
Ghent	12	10
Greenville	14	10
Hazel Green	11	11
Henderson, First	51	11
Kevil	21	60*
Lexington, Antioch	16	12
Lexington, Central	296	13
Lexington, Lafayette	29	28*
Lexington, Antioch and Old Union	21	11
Lexington, Woodland	101	15
Louisville, Bear Grass	69	11
Louisville, Crescent Hill	31	11
Louisville, First	140	10
Marion	12	33*
May's Lick	17	11
Morehead	32	17
North Pleasureville	20	12
Owenton	30	13
Paint Lick	10	13
Providence	10	13
Ravenna	25	11
Sebree	11	13
Sinai, Shiloh	31	17
Waddy	23	15
LOUISIANA		
Crowley	21	17
Hammond, First	25	18
Jennings, First	17	14
Lafayette	17	40*
Mansfield, First	10	29*
Monroe, First	43	11
Sulphur, First	16	15
MARYLAND		
Baltimore, Govans	27	13
Havre de Grace, First	25	46*
MICHIGAN		
Ann Arbor, Memorial	39	24*
Detroit, Bethany	32	10
Belding	14	27*
Grand Rapids, Cascade	15	19
Kalamazoo	15	10
Kalamazoo, Central Street	55	17
Petoskey, First	61	16
Traverse City, First	33	12
MINNESOTA		
Garden City	21	14
Lewisville, Madelia	22	29*
Minneapolis, Audubon Park	15	12
St. Paul, First	43	10
MISSISSIPPI		
Cleveland, First	14	12
Edwards, Southern Christian Institute	13	14
Jackson, First	85	11
Lambert	18	36*
Meridian, First	43	13
Rome	16	32*
MISSOURI		
Affton	14	23*
Bolckow	23	21*
Bonne Terre, First	14	11
Boonville, First	31	11
Bowling Green	30	15
Braymer	13	16
Brookfield, First	47	11
Cainsville	12	14
Charleston	10	11
Chillicothe, First	70	11
Clark, Macedonia	10	22*
Coffey	18	19
Dexter, First	28	11
El Dorado Springs, First	21	11
Frankford, First	16	10
Gorin	10	13
Gower	19	12
Greenwood	10	16
Hannibal, Mt. Zion	16	23*
Holliday	19	16
Independence, Crysler Ave.	22	19
Kennett, First	27	17
Kevtesville	15	33*
Lees Summit, Longview Chapel	10	50*
Lewistown	15	12
Liberty, Mt. Olivet	10	20*
Liberty Chapel, Chula	12	48*
Maysville, First	26	12
Maywood, Emerson	10	22*
Missouri City	11	18
Moberly, Central	81	11
Monett, First	31	12
Monroe City	18	11
Monticello	10	29*
Mountain Grove	22	11
Oak Grove	15	11
Odessa, First	29	10
Ozark	25	21*
Paris, First	37	11
Paynesville	11	28*
Richmond, First	37	13
Savannah, Long Branch	11	10
St. Louis, Baden	13	15
St. Louis, Dover Place	35	11
St. Louis, Northwest	14	11
Santa Fe	11	12
Thompson, Liberty	11	16
Union Star	11	14
Wellsville	20	14
MONTANA		
Billings, First	80	13
Hamilton	11	10
NEBRASKA		
Alliance	56	12
Alma	25	10
Bellevue	11	14
Broken Bow	17	11
Chester	19	13
Elwood	23	12
Nelson	14	10
Overton	10	20*
Stamford	12	18
Talmadge, Charter Oak	10	14
NEVADA		
Las Vegas	23	23*
Reno	20	11
NEW MEXICO		
Albuquerque, Sombra Del Monte	34	32*
Artesia	25	12
Las Vegas, First	12	24*
Roswell, First	62	10
Roy	10	18
Santa Fe, First	20	13
NEW YORK		
Brooklyn, Flatbush	27	13
Buffalo, Richmond Ave.	27	10
Buffalo, University	36	14
Felt Mills	10	13
New York, Park Avenue	61	13
Poestenkill	17	23*
Pompey, Union	24	43*
Rochester, First	11	10
Schenectady, Union Street	17	16
South Butler	10	11
Syracuse, S. Geddes Street	15	16
Troy, Eagle Mills	15	12
NORTH CAROLINA		
Arden	51	19
Bellarthur, Arthur	10	14
Black Mountain	15	33*
Charlotte, First	26	12
Dunn, Hood Memorial	40	14
Elizabeth City	25	11
Farmville	57	17
Fayetteville, First	10	13
Goldsboro, First	57	15
Greensboro, Elm Street	54	22*
Jacksonville, First	20	49*
Kinston, Armenia	20	13
LaGrange	15	15

Churches *in Legion* with the Most Subscriptions

	No. of Subscriptions	% Subscribing
Seattle, Wash., University	553	23
Fort Worth, Tex., First	476	14
Dallas, Tex., East Dallas	369	10
Lexington, Ky., Central	296	13
Nashville, Tenn., Vine Street	249	13
San Diego, Calif., University	248	23
Los Angeles, Calif., Wilshire Blvd.	196	18
Portland, Ore., First	189	11
Los Angeles, Calif., Hollywood Beverly	182	12

Churches *in Legion* with Highest Per Cent Subscribing

	No. of Subscriptions	% Subscribing
Aiken, S. C., Ellenton Memorial	15	75
Kevil, Kentucky	21	60
Marfa, Texas, First	55	53
Brooks, Georgia	18	51
Lees Summit, Missouri, Longview Chapel	10	50
Jacksonville, N. C., First	20	49
Liberty Chapel, Mo., Chula	12	48
Monterey Park, Cal.	21	46
Havre de Grace, Md., First	25	46
Glenwood, Indiana	18	45

WORLD CALL

	No. of subscriptions	Per Cent subscribing
Macclesfield	25	23*
Mt. Olive	11	30*
New Bern, Broad Street	32	10
Pfafftown	39	20*
Plymouth	49	11
Robersonville	47	13
Spray, North	37	20*
Stoneville	15	15
Vanceboro	16	29*
Waltonburg	17	17
Washington, First	86	10
Wendell	23	15
Wilbanks, Elm City	10	20*
Wilmington, First	49	16
Winston-Salem, Bon Air	15	10
Winterville	15	36*
OHIO		
Chillicothe, First	11	10
Cincinnati, Oakley-Hyde Park	18	10
Cincinnati, Walnut Hills	60	10
Cleveland, Central	10	10
Clyde	21	13
Columbus, West 4th Avenue	62	10
Dayton, Hillcrest	29	13
Elmore	15	13
Fayette	20	17
Findlay, First	36	12
Genoa	16	25*
Lima, Central	89	10
Marion, Kirkpatrick	16	19
St. Louisville	16	28*
Toledo, East Side	48	15
Toledo, Hampton Park	131	19
Toledo, South	26	17
Willoughby	36	11
Xenia, East Main St.	10	15
OKLAHOMA		
Ada, First	67	11
Arnett	10	14
Atoka, First	13	16
Chandler, First	21	13
Cherokee, First	81	13
Enid, University Place	129	19
Fairfax, First	23	11
Freedom	12	11
Grandfield	12	16
Guymon, First	42	33*
Helena	22	14
Hooker, First	15	16
Hugo, First	28	18
Idabel, First	12	12
Kaw City, First	13	16
Kinta	10	32*
Langley, First	11	31*
Lawton, Liberty Heights	11	12
Mangum	29	15
Marshall	12	11
Mounds	12	22*
Muskogee, Memorial	31	20*
Muskogee, Second	11	16
Mutual	17	15
Sapulpa, Linden Street	11	15
Tulsa, Second	10	13
Tulsa, Southside	22	11
Tulsa, Wheeling Ave.	109	14
Waynoka	13	13
Wewoka	38	12
Yukon, West Point	14	34*
OREGON		
Astoria	31	20*
Brownsville	13	22*
Corvallis, First	76	23*
Dallas	62	18
Dayton	17	13
Junction City	45	37*
Madras	19	21*
Medford, First	84	11
Portland, First	189	11
Portland, Kern Park	95	21*
Portland, Mallory Ave.	72	11
Redmond, First	16	25*
Silverton	34	11
PENNSYLVANIA		
Allison, Allison Mission	11	16
Bellevue	43	14
Canonsburg	20	16
Canton, North Union	19	26*
Dallas, Huntsville	10	11
Erie	38	12
Mansfield, Canoe Camp	26	19
Marianna	12	10
Ogdensburg	14	13
Pittsburgh, Beechview	14	20*
Pittsburgh, Mt. Lebanon	26	15
SOUTH CAROLINA		
Aiken, Ellenton Memorial	15	75*
Harleyville	11	17
Moncks Corner, First	15	31*
Varnville	12	18
TENNESSEE		
Bells, First	14	12
Chattanooga, First	102	11
Cleveland, First	15	15
Columbia, Central	13	11
Halls, First	18	31*
Livingston	19	11
Memphis, Highland	33	13
Memphis, Macon	21	17
Memphis, Taylor Memorial	17	12
Murfreesboro, Central	21	14
Nashville, Eastwood	36	11
Nashville, Vine Street	249	18
Nashville, Woodmont	142	30*
Oak Ridge, First	17	12
Paris, First	62	20*
Sparta, First	10	13
Springfield, Dozier	11	22*
TEXAS		
Albany, First	17	12
Alpine, First	18	15
Alvin	24	10
Aransas Pass	17	11
Austin, Central	155	13
Austin, University	41	12
Azle	10	13
Ballinger, First	22	18
Bay City	18	10
Beaumont, First	102	11
Bellaire	26	32*
Breckenridge	38	13
Brenham, First	13	13
Brownfield, First	21	11
Brownsville, Central	40	11
Cameron	33	22*
Carthage	18	11
Colorado City, First	16	11
Corsicana, First	39	10
Dallas, Bruton Road	10	23*
Dallas, Central	63	10
Dallas, East Dallas	369	10
Dallas, Home Gardens	10	17
Dallas, Lakeview	49	14
Dallas, Memorial	52	10
Dallas, Oak Cliff	142	12
Dallas, Pleasant Grove	54	10
Dallas, South Cliffe	40	36*
Denton, First	37	11
Edinburg	21	10
El Campo, First	28	15
Electra	30	18
El Paso, Austin Park	51	21*
El Paso, Byron Street	10	15
Floydada	18	11
Fort Stockton	17	21*
Fort Worth, Chestnut Ave.	62	17
Fort Worth, First	516	14
Freeport	35	19
Frisco	14	19
Galena Park, Park Side	20	11
Grapeland, First	17	18
Groves	13	15
Harlington, First	30	10
Henrietta, First	12	10
Hillsboro, Central	17	11
Houston, Broadmoor	29	16
Houston, Heights	96	12
Houston, Oaks	22	16
Houston, Woodland	59	27*
Huntsville	17	11
Italy	11	20*
Jacksonville, First	15	12
Kerrville, First	21	16
Knox City	12	16
Lamesa, First	21	15
Lancaster	33	17
Levelland	16	27*
Lockhart, First	33	16
Lubbock, Lubbock View	33	13
Marfa, First	55	53*
Marlin	11	17
Marshall, First	50	15
Mesquite	24	10
Mineral Wells, Central	29	11
Mission	24	16
Mt. Vernon, First	13	14
Muleshoe	10	40*
Palestine, First	122	15
Pasadena, Central	42	14
Plainview, First	36	15
Port Neches	14	20*
Richland Springs	11	13
Royse City, First	25	20*
Rusk, First	10	23*
Sabinal, Central	16	13
San Antonio, Highlands	22	28*
San Antonio, Southside	42	11
San Benito, First	51	25*
Selma City	16	25*
Slaton	12	11
Snyder, First	17	12
Stephenville, First	20	12
Sulphur Springs, First	58	12
Sundown	10	21*
Tyler, Ross Ave.	29	18
Uvalde, First	25	16
Victoria, First	26	23*
UTAH		
Salt Lake City, Central	16	13
VIRGINIA		
Bassetts, Fort Trial	11	13
Bedford	25	11
Blacksburg	28	25*
Blackstone	17	11
Boones Mill	15	17
Covington, Calvary	11	11
Cuckoo, Gilboa	25	12
Danieltown, New Hope	23	10
Danville, West End	18	12
Deltaville, Philippi	30	13
Dublin, Newbern	19	37*
Dunnsville, Rappanhannock	25	12
Elpis	12	11
Grafton	13	11
Hood, Fairview	17	12
Lahore, Macedonia	10	13
Lynchburg, Memorial	34	16
Martinsville, Broad Street	49	12
Mathews, Westville	11	13
Mauertown, Saumsville	11	14
Mauertown, Zion	17	20*
Pounding Mill	10	10
Preston, Horse Pasture	23	11
Radford, Second	26	12
Richmond, Battery Park	43	10
Roanoke, First	74	13
Rochelle	11	10
Rocky Mount	23	16
West Point	21	23*
WASHINGTON		
Auburn	36	21*
Bellingham, First	75	15
Bremerton, First	58	11
Camas	30	14
Centralia, First	95	17
Cheney	16	20*
Colfax	12	12
Creston	13	10
Elma, First	12	13
Ephrata, Memorial	24	23*
Grandview	17	14
Longview, First	64	12
Orting	19	19
Port Orchard	47	15
Pullman	16	22*
Puyallup, First	46	16
Seattle, Findlay Street	31	19
Seattle, First	101	18
Seattle, North-west	33	12
Seattle, University	553	23*
Spokane, Hillyard	24	17
Spokane, Jefferson Street	30	16
Spokane, Pacific Ave.	25	16
Spokane, South Hill	21	18
Tacoma, Pine Street	27	22*
Tacoma, Roosevelt Hts.	18	28*
Waitsburg, First	22	17
Yakima, First	320	15
WEST VIRGINIA		
Charleston, First	45	11
Henlawson, Justice	18	28*
Hinton, First	20	14
Huntington, Vinson Memorial	22	13
Parkersburg	55	10
St. Albans	11	21*
WISCONSIN		
Janesville, First	50	13

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	Subs. 1952-53	Subs. 1951-52
Glendora, Calif.	76	33
Ordway, Col.	51	22
Tacoma Park, Md.	37	5
Lakeland, Fla., First	48	24
Orlando, Fla., Central	58	28
Milford, Ill.	35	6
Danville, Ind.	78	20
Albia, Ia.	66	26
Larned, Kan., First	54	13
Lexington, Ky., Central	296	99
Sinai, Ky., Shiloh	31	7
Kalamazoo, Mich.	55	27
Lewisville, Minn., Madelia	22	1
Bowling Green, Mo.	30	7
Brookfield, Mo.	47	16
Billings, Mont.	80	33
Alliance, Neb.	56	20
Washington, N. C.	84	41
Lima, Ohio, Central	89	25
Tulsa, Okla., Southside	22	7
Astoria, Ore.	31	15
Dallas, Ore.	62	34
Nashville, Tenn., Vine Street	249	119
Cameron, Tex.	33	10
Dallas, Tex., Pleasant Grove	54	3
Seattle, Wash., University	553	201
Yakima, Wash., First	320	118

Women and WORLD HIGHWAYS

The Spotlight Was on Women!

By LOUISE MOSELEY*

WOMEN were much in evidence when the Disciples of Christ assembled in Portland, Oregon, in July. This was due in a large measure to the fact that the new International Christian Women's Fellowship was formed on the opening day of the International Convention Assembly. Women from churches across the United States and Canada thronged to their mass meetings on July 4 and 5, when the new Fellowship was organized and its first quadrennial program held.

Launching of the "good ship Fellowship" attracted widespread attention of the Convention and the general public. The occasion brought together more than 2,000 women who wanted to strengthen their bonds of friendship and unite in the common cause of making Christ known around the world.

The International Christian Women's Fellowship will function through a commission of about 160 representatives who have been named by their states and areas. Through an advisory council of 17 members, it will offer suggestions to the national staff in The United Christian Missionary Society's department of Christian Women's Fellowship.

Assembling every four years, the International C.W.F. is expected to give women a channel for expression on important brotherhood matters. It should provide a means whereby women may have a voice on national and international issues which concern Christians. The organization will offer Disciple women a means of participation in interdenominational activities. It will also serve as an exchange medium on programs and procedures in the states and areas where women's work of the brotherhood is organized.

The first meeting of this commission on July 7 gave opportunity for fellowship among the many members in attendance. Also, the members of the advisory council were elected.

Outstanding Women

Sharing the honors and responsibilities with other topflight brotherhood leaders at Portland were a number of outstanding women. Mrs. Russell C. Putnam, of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, was elected president of the International C.W.F., and Mrs. H. I. Rudduck, of Mishawaka, Indiana, was named vice-president. Miss Jessie Trout, elected secretary, was there as a guiding spirit behind the organization of the new Fellowship.

Mrs. Rosa Page Welch, of Chicago, Illinois, swept the Convention off its feet with her singing and speaking on several occasions. Mrs. Mary Maqbul-Masih and Mrs. Dayal Sukhnandan, of India, added color to the Convention scene as they went about, garbed in their graceful saris. Mrs. Eric White, of Scotland, was warmly received as the wife of the fraternal delegate to the Convention from British Churches of Christ.

Mrs. Johnson Presided

Mrs. Barton A. Johnson, of Covington, Kentucky, as chairman of the Board of Managers of The United Christian Missionary Society, ably presided over business meetings and installed the new C.W.F. officers. Mrs. Charles F. Bailey, of Ballinger, Texas, appeared before the general assembly on several occasions as one of the Convention vice-presidents. Mrs. Orval D. Peterson, of Yakima, Washington, headed the National Association of Ministers' Wives which held its annual meeting at the time of the Convention.

World-Wide Aspect

Also adding to the world-wide aspect of the Convention were Miss Jean Paternoster, of Australia, and Mrs. H. B. Cooper, of Hawaii, who brought greetings from the churches in those parts of the globe.

Business women were in evidence at the convention. A home mission tour of 37 business women from 12 states included the International Convention Assembly on its itinerary.

All in all, the Portland Convention was a memorable occasion for women of the churches.

Members of the International Christian Women's Fellowship Advisory Council:

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Seated together in this photo are Mrs. Russell C. Putnam, left, president of the International C.W.F., and Mrs. H. I. Rudduck, vice-president of the newly-formed women's organization.
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Mrs. Arthur E. Landolt, Moberly, Missouri.

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Echoes— *from Everywhere*

Theologians at World Council Assembly To Participate in Lecture Institute

IN connection with the Second Assembly of the World Council of Churches, to be held in Evanston, Illinois, in August, 1954, a number of European theological scholars of renown will come to America. Their presence here will be an opportunity for the American Protestant ministry to hear lectures by these men in their own special fields.

The scholars will be organized into a Chicago Ecumenical Institute which will meet during the first two weeks of August, 1954. The Institute will take place at eight different seminary centers in Chicago with several scholars assigned to each center. Beside the lectures there will be discussion periods, chapel services, and probably evening sessions at some central point for general lectures.

Seminaries in the Chicago area will cooperate by making housing available to ministers from outside Chicago. It is expected that there will be some facilities for women as well as for married couples and men who come singly.

Hunger Less Important than Laughter To Africans on Congo River Barge

A lone man in a very small dugout canoe paddled furiously across the river to the side of one of the barges of our slow-moving river boat. A host of Africans surged over to his canoe, tied it securely and grabbed for the three fish he had come to sell.

Such pushing, such tugging, such laughing and shouting! A couple of men pulled on the same fish. It was too much! The fish parted company! One man held the head, the other the tail. Everyone roared. Even though they were all hungry and only a very few would get any of the fish, they enjoyed the fray to the utmost. Such is the way of the African; able to laugh in spite of the gnawing in his stomach.

—Mr. and Mrs. Robin R. Cobble
Monieka Mission, Belgian Congo

Disciple Chaplain Directs Work of South Korean Clinic

A spotless, up-to-date children's clinic, planned and financed by leathernecks of Marine Aircraft Group 33 and First Marine Air Wing headquarters, has opened its doors in South Korea. Named the Marine Children's Clinic, it is dedicated primarily to the care of homeless youngsters living in Marine Memorial Orphanage near wing headquarters.

Located in a sprawling building overlooking the Sea of Japan, the clinic is equipped with modern medical facilities, room for several wards, a small, formal Japanese-style garden and quarters for the staff. Funds are not yet available for completely equipped wards—they lack beds, bedding and other furnishings—but they will be provided in the future.

The man responsible for laying the groundwork . . . is Chaplain Ernest R. Lineberger. Chaplain J. Rex Smith has carried on his work. Smith (a Disciples of Christ chaplain) is director of the Marine Memorial Orphanage, and will also head the clinic board of directors, composed of First Marine Aircraft Wing chaplains and American and Korean members of the Presbyterian Mission board.

—Pacific Stars and Stripes

Tenth Class Takes Work At Tokyo Union Seminary

The tenth class of ministerial candidates has entered the Tokyo Union Theological Seminary, the official theological school of the United Church in Japan. As a union institution formed in 1943, two years after the establishment of the United Church of Christ, the seminary has 16 full-time and 23 part-time faculty members.

The denominational background of the 231 students includes almost all denominations represented in Japan before the war, namely the Presbyterian-Reformed, Methodist, Congregational, Evangelical and United Brethren, Baptist, Disciples of Christ, Episcopal, Free Methodist, Scandinavian Alliance, Salvation Army, Nazarene, Wesleyan Methodist, Adventists and Plymouth Brethren. Students come representing other areas of East Asia: Korea, Okinawa and the once-Japanese-occupied islands of the Pacific.

A six-year course of study is offered in the Tokyo Union Theological Seminary, of similar grade to four years of college and two years of theological study in the United States. Graduates of this seminary therefore come within one year of having studied as long as their fellow ministers with a bachelor of divinity degree in the United States.

The Disciples of Christ representative on the seminary teaching faculty is Hallam Shorrock. Though Mr. Shorrock joined the seminary staff ostensibly to aid in establishing a Department of Religious Field Work, the time was yet too early for such a direct new step. Therefore the "field work" which he is able to supervise is among the first year students in their churches, which he visits each Sunday,

Children's TV Program Makes Mission Studies Vivid and Popular

Dean and Mrs. Robert T. Parsons, of the Kennedy School of Missions, Hartford Theological Seminary, listen in native costume as William F. Fore, Yale Divinity School student, gives studio instructions in preparation for the first program of a new 13-week televised children's missionary series over Station WNHC-TV, New Haven. The series began this summer and is believed to be the first of its kind in the nation aimed at children. Mr. Fore is producing the series, "Adventures in Africa," which will be televised every Friday at noon for fifteen minutes. The program is sponsored by the Communications Research Project of the National Council of Churches, which is based at the Yale Divinity School; the New Haven Council of Churches; the Connecticut Council of Churches, and the Connecticut Council of Church Women.

—Yale News Photo

and his 2-hour religious education seminar each week.

World Council Gives Aid To Victims of Japanese Flood

During the summer record rainfalls hit the hills and valleys of Kyushu, Japan, denuded of forest during the last war. More than 5,000 persons lost their homes completely and 42,000 lost part of their houses to the swirling waters. More than a million persons, including 241,829 families, were directly affected by this worst flood in modern Japanese history.

H. C. Shorrock, a Disciples of Christ missionary representing the World Council of Churches' Department of Inter-Church Aid and Service to Refugees in Japan, made a three-day reconnaissance trip through the flooded area with the Rev. M. Manabe, of the National Christian Council of Japan and the United Church of Christ, and the Rev. Masami Mizuno, secretary of the N. C. C. Youth Commission. They traveled by airplane, train, car, boat and on foot. They took with them food supplies, vitamins and the comfort of prayers and concern from the Christian community abroad.

Dr. Reginald Helfferich, representing the Evangelical and Reformed Church in America, C.W.S. and the Department of Inter-Church Aid, arrived in Japan immediately after the flood. Through the W. C. C. he transmitted $1,000 of denominational funds to the flood area, $500 to churches damaged by the water, and $500 for the support of youth work camps that are being set up in the disaster area. This is the first natural emergency since the new plan for Emergency I-C.A. and Relief was approved by the International Missionary Council and the World Council.

In Memoriam

Mrs. Lillie B. Hall, April 6, Wheeling, W. Va. Intimately and constructively connected with the First Christian Church. Member of Missionary Society and C.W.F.

Mrs. Genefrede Harris Carton, July 10, Longmont, Col. An able and consecrated leader and Christian educator.

Miss Myrtie Bowman, November 24, 1952, Hardin, Mo. Was a faithful member of Hardin Christian Church many years. Believed in prayer and stewardship.

J. Morgan Derr, June 3, Hardin, Mo. Layman pastor of Hardin Church. Was a consecrated man and a faithful steward of time and means.

Walter Warren, May 2, Farmer City, Ill. Main support of missionary society. Always ready to give of his time and money. A beloved Christian man who went about doing good. Age 61.

Mrs. Lulu Hunter, June 13, Chicago, Ill. Organized Chinese Christian Mission. Was vice-president of Women Preachers Association and state secretary of Illinois Christian Women's Missionary Society. Had utmost faith in God and her fellowmen. Age 80.

Mrs. Anna Lee Lowry, June 8, Crestwood, Ky. Faithful and devout member of Christian Church. Life devoted to church work and especially to missionary enterprise. Age 75.

Mrs. Ellen Hargrove, June 5, Atlanta, Ga. Member of Christian Church for more than 50 years. Very interested in all phases of her church and brotherhood activities. Was a World Call secretary.

Missionary Worship Service

Theme: *The Sound of Many Voices*

October

"Each one heard them speaking in his own language."

Call to Worship

Praise the Lord, all nations!
Extol him, all peoples!
For great is his steadfast love toward us; and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.
Praise the Lord! *(Ps. 117:1-2)*

Let Us Pray: O thou in whose infinite wisdom the world was created; who didst provide that men of many tongues and nations would worship thee, we thank thee that thou hast called us to be among that mighty chorus who sing praises to thy name. Help us to appreciate the diverse tones within the chorus, and to discover how each, though diverse, contributes to the whole. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Hymn: "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" *(Christian Worship: A Hymnal,* 262)

Scripture: Acts 2:1-6

Meditation: On that Day of Pentecost in Jerusalem the crowds were overcome with joy and amazement. God had spoken. And each heard in his own language!

What a wonderful blessing it is that God does speak to peoples of all tongues and that his word is not limited to one race or language.

A man once told how he had heard Christ speak to him. His cynical companion smiled and asked, "And in what language did he speak?" "He spoke in English," the man replied. The cynic thought it was a joke, for was not Christ a Jew?

Yet we know that Christ does speak to us in English, just as He speaks to a Mexican peon, a German professor, a Congolese tribesman, a British queen, a Japanese student, *each in his own language.*

Just as Christ speaks in a direct encounter with people of many nations, so also is his written word being brought to peoples in many, many languages. Portions, at least, of the Gospel have been translated into well over one thousand languages and dialects.

And these diverse languages and dialects serve to witness to the universal beauty and compelling force of the Gospel. So beautiful was the Latin translation of the Bible, for instance, that there were those who felt that God's word should always be read in that language alone. Later came the King James English Version; so perfect is its expression and so dearly loved has it become by the English-speaking world that it is not startling when some folk seem inclined to believe that it was the original translation.

In the Philippines English is the medium of instruction in all schools, and it is considered the official language of the Islands. Yet when even the school teachers, who speak English fluently and use it almost exclusively in their reading and work, read their Bibles or lead in prayer, they use the dialect. As one Filipino college professor quipped, "English is the language of the mind, but Ilocano is the language of the heart." The languages came of God. He loves them all. And he speaks to the hearts of men—to each in his own language.

Truly the world has been blessed by the diverse responses to God's message, as each nation responds out of her own cultural and language background. There are the wonderful Latin chants, the plaintive Negro spirituals, the exquisite Chinese Christian art. And we are sure to be surprised when we discover how many of our best loved hymns originated in another language.

Yet sometimes we live out our lives in communities where there are Christians of other language groups, and we never seek to share in the rich treasure of their Christian response. We are like the girl who lived from childhood until college age in a town which had a fairly large Russian district. Never did she explore the wonders of Russian Orthodox worship, and it was not until she had moved away from the community that she learned something of the rich background of the Russian Church.

When we become aware of other cultural groups worshipping in their own language, when we share in another's response to Christ, then our own faith is enriched.

(Note to the leader: If there is a language church in your neighborhood—Spanish-speaking, Norwegian Lutheran, Dutch Reformed—call attention to this fact. Your group may wish to visit it.)

Let Us Pray:

We do not pray that thou wilt make us alike, O Father, for we see the richness in the diversity of Christian responses. But we do pray that thou wilt make us one in spirit, in appreciation, in love. We pray in the name of him who is the tie that binds our hearts. Amen.

Offering

Benediction

—May Sweet Lord

For Adult Mission Study

October

Theme
Spanish-Speaking Peoples in the U. S. A.

"From Famished Souls"

WHEN two distinct cultures meet, often the result is a blending of the two, or a product that shows the influence of both. Disciples of Christ Spanish-speaking churches are examples of this fact. Notice the influence and blend of both Spanish and American architecture in the buildings pictured below.

Yet it is not only in the external building that this blending and influence are apparent. The entire make-up of the churches themselves—the worship service and the type of ministry—bear witness to this intercultural influence. For example, the worship services are conducted in Spanish, yet an English-speaking person who cannot understand a word of Spanish may feel at home. The words of the hymns may be sung in Spanish, but the tunes are the same as those used throughout the Disciple brotherhood. The communion prayers may be uttered in Spanish, but the act of breaking bread and partaking of the cup is essentially the same, whether it is done in Park Avenue Christian Church, New York City, or the *Iglesia Christiana,* San Antonio, Texas.

Differences Noticeable

Yet there will be some noticeable differences. For example, the Mexican churches usually have a larger attendance at the evening services, while many Anglo churches do not even hold evening services. The Puerto Rican churches devote the entire morning to church school and religious education. Sometimes we are fortunate in Anglo churches to have even an hour for religious education through the Sunday church school. (We might even note minor and unimportant customs, such as the carryover in some of the Mexican churches for the men to sit on one side of the church while the women sit on the other!)

New Puerto Rican Churches

The migration of Puerto Ricans to New York City has not stopped. New groups arrive daily—and they all need the spiritual oversight of the Church. The two Disciple Puerto Rican churches in New York City, *La Hermosa* and Second Christian, Bronx, have recognized this increasing need in the city. Both have established new congregations in other areas.

La Hermosa, the first Disciple Spanish-speaking church in New York, was instrumental in starting Second Christian in the Bronx. Now, when she has literally outgrown her own building—children crowd into the parsonage for Sunday school class—she has started a new congregation in Brooklyn, and has plans under way for a new mission on the west side of New York. Her members support their entire budget themselves. They are unable to build a new church, as much as they need it. Yet they are willing to sacrifice even more to spread the gospel.

The Mission in Brooklyn

The new congregation in Brooklyn grew out of a home visit in November, 1952. The minister was called in to counsel with a couple having marital trouble. He also discovered illness in the family and proved a source of comfort and strength during the family's difficulty. Since the Puerto Rican ministers use every available opportunity for evangelism, the minister won the family to Christ and was invited to hold religious services in the home. Neighbors attended and the number steadily increased. Now there are between sixty and sixty-five persons in regular attendance each Sunday afternoon. The congregation has outgrown the one home, and different classes meet in various homes. Characteristic of Disciple Puerto Rican churches, most of the leadership is drawn from the laymen and laywomen.

Worship at a Home

Each Thursday evening Mrs. Carmen Gonzalez, the missionary—or church visitor, as she is called—conducts a worship service in one of the homes in Brooklyn. The average attendance is thirty-five. Thus has developed a new Puerto Rican Church in New York City. Some day the Brooklyn Church probably will have a church building of its own.

Second Christian's Mission

The mission project of Second Christian Church was started one month before the Brooklyn congregation was formed, in October, 1952. This church is located on Amsterdam Avenue, in the vicinity near Columbia University. Recently a large settlement of Puerto Ricans have moved into this area. This church has a background similar to the Brooklyn Mission, in that it, too, meets in a home, and grew out of personal contact. One of the laymen of Second Christian Church supervises this work. Average attendance is between sixty and seventy persons.

Members of Island Churches

It is estimated that about 70 per cent of the members of New York Christian churches come from the Christian churches on the Island. Yet there are many more members of Island churches coming to New York who do not affiliate with any church, or who join one of the smaller sects that are so popular in the Puerto Rican sections of New York. As members of a brotherhood, Disciples of Christ need to encourage their fellow Christians in New York as they seek to reclaim and recruit Christians in that city.

Additional Material

As you prepare for this program, be sure to refer to the June issue of World Call and the special section concerning our Spanish-speaking churches. It contains basic material. This issue contains a helpful article about the church in Corpus Christi. Of course, you will find the pamphlet, *Disciples of Christ and Spanish-Speaking Americans,* of great value. All who participate in your program should read it.

Worship Program

The worship service this month, "Each one heard them speaking in his own language," helps us to gain a deeper appreciation of churches of other languages and cultural background. This service may be found on page 35 of this issue of World Call.

Pictured below are four Disciples of Christ Mexican churches in Texas. Architecture here suggests a blend of cultures. The San Antonio church, left, is a pioneer Disciple project among Spanish-speaking people. It is now self-supporting. The other three churches, at Robstown, McAllen and San Benito, are home missions projects of The United Christian Missionary Society.

Youth and Missions

TEEN-agers of Memorial Christian Church of Tulsa, Oklahoma, look forward to their mission study. They consider it one of the big events of their C.Y.F. year. A number of activities cluster around it. Service projects provide an outlet for the interest resulting from study and at the same time create a desire to learn.

Missionary plays enable the youth to share their information and enthusiasm with the entire church. Fifty-six young people participated in some way in producing *The Black Cross*. The picture below shows the cast. To the left of Sue Cooper (girl in center) is Mrs. Oscar Moline, adult advisor.

"From the Heart of Africa to You" was the theme of last year's banquet, which climaxed the world mission study. The boys cook and serve the food, plan the decorations, and arrange the entire program. In the picture at the top three boys with their teacher, Harry Bishline, are making a last minute check.

Certain of the service projects make the C.Y.F.-ers missionaries in person. They rolled bandages to send to Africa as they talked of the great medical needs of that land. Each time a new church of our brotherhood is established in Tulsa, the C.Y.F. of Memorial Church gives the newly organized C.Y.F. a picture for their worship center. The picture at the left shows a committee presenting a gift of toys to the nursery of Pine Street Christian Church, then in a building program.

DISCIPLES of Christ taking leadership responsibilities on various committees of the National Council of Churches include E. K. Higdon, second vice-president of the Foreign Division executive committee; Virgil A. Sly, chairman of the Africa Committee and member of the Foreign Division executive board; Donald F. West, chairman of the Philippine Committee and member of the executive board of the Division; Dale Medearis, chairman of the land tenure committee of the Division of Home Missions' department of town and country church; Russell F. Harrison, chairman of the youth work committee of the Division of Christian Education; J. D. Montgomery, chairman of the adult section of the Division, and Miss Mabel Metze, chairman of the children's work section.

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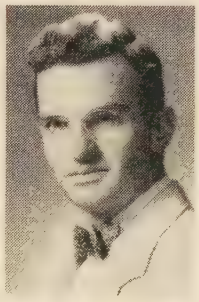

Richard A. Godfrey, valedictorian of his class at Hazel Green Academy, Hazel Green, Ky., a graduate of Transylvania University in Lexington, with a Ph. D. in political science from the University of Kentucky, has been appointed to take charge of the consular service at the American Embassy in Belgrade, Yugoslavia. Previous to this appointment he was engaged in diplomatic work in Washington, D. C., and then served as vice-consul at Forteleza in Brazil.

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Miss Ruth Reynolds, national director of children's work leadership, spent three weeks in August in Trinidad and Barbados directing observation-practice schools for training Christian education leaders. She also visited Puerto Rico, Jamaica and British Guiana.

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Various changes have been made on state staffs of Christian education.

O. Eugene Moore closed his work as director of Christian education in Iowa in June to become pastor of the new Valley Christian Church in Birmingham, Ala.

Don Scott has been elected director of children's work in Kentucky, following Miss Betty Lawson, who was married in June to Al Graves, director of religious education in the Christian church in Vincennes, Ind.

Lester Bickford has accepted a call to the position of director of religious education and church development for Arkansas.

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Changes on Christian Women's Fellowship staffs include the following:

Mrs. Bessie Hart, who has served as state secretary of women's organizations in Texas for 19 years, retired on June 30. In honor of Mrs. Hart, the Texas Christian Women's Fellowship is establishing the Bessie Hart Scholarship for foreign students in Texas Christian University.

Another state secretary of the Christian Women's Fellowship to retire on June 30 was Mrs. G. E. Purdy of Iowa. Mrs. Purdy came to the Iowa secretaryship in 1948.

Mrs. Paul Stewart, executive secretary of the Alabama Christian Women's Fellowship, has resigned because of ill health; her resignation will take effect in October.

The Georgia Christian Women's Fellowship has persuaded Mrs. Anne Beach to withdraw her resignation as state secretary.

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Word has been received concerning the death of Mrs. Genefrede Harris Carton, former religious education staff member with The United Christian Missionary Society. Mrs. Carton began in 1923 as young people's worker in Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and Michigan. Later she served only Indiana and Michigan.

In 1934 she became director of religious education for Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota, and North and South Dakota. Because of ill health she resigned in 1947. She was married to Mr. Carton last year.

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The *Wall Street Journal* reported recently that David L. Menzies, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Menzies, former missionaries to India, has been appointed vice-president and general manager of Mead, Johnson and Co., of Canada, at Belleville, Ont.

Missionary Register

Arriving from the Field:

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hughes, missionaries to Paraguay, arrived in the United States on furlough in August.

Departing for the Field:

Miss Ruth Leslie returned to Mexico in August after a regular furlough.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nelson will return to Jamaica in September.

Eight newly appointed missionaries to Latin America leave in September for Costa Rica for a year of orientation and language study. They are Mr. and Mrs. Dean Rogers, assigned to Paraguay; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stone, Mexico; Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Tatlock, Paraguay, and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Vaughn, Argentina.

Summer internships were served at Flanner House community center in Indianapolis, Ind., by four young people who were recruited by the department of social welfare of the United Society. They were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Taylor, Stillwater, Okla.; Miss June Holton, Atlantic Christian College, Wilson, N. C., and Miss Betty Earlewine, Central College, Fayette, Mo.

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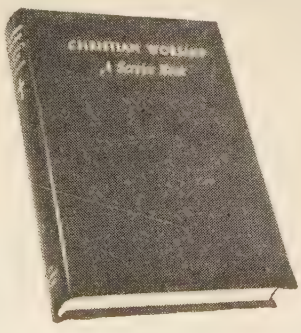
Religious work with agricultural migrants in the Midwest was carried on by five Disciple young people this summer. The work was done under the supervision of the division of home missions of the National Council of Churches, with support from the department of social welfare of the United Society. The special summer workers were Mr. and Mrs. Randel Martin,



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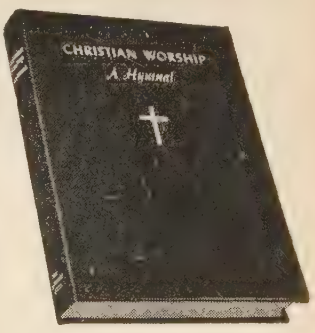

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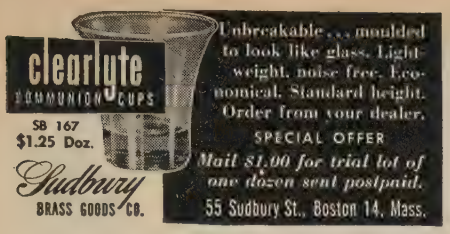

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The following laymen were named to membership on the National Laymen's Advisory Commission by the board of trustees of the United Society in May: John H. DeMond, Caldwell, Ida.; Norval Cross, Cleveland, Miss.; J. Malcolm Russell, Russellville, S. C., and Joe Brown, Great Bend, Kans. These men are state presidents of the Christian Men's Fellowship in their states.

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The annual United Nations Seminar, conducted by the department of social welfare of the United Society, will be held Nov. 30-Dec. 3 in New York City. The seminar is open to all pastors and lay people but registration is necessarily limited.

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Miss Anna Clarke, for the past 15 years director of Christian education in Indiana, died June 10 at her home in Indianapolis.

Born in Iowa, Miss Clarke received degrees from Drake and Boston Universities and taught in Iowa high schools before entering young people's work with the United Society in 1923. In 1938 she became director of the Indiana department of religious education of the Christian churches. Under her leadership, summer camps and conferences for young people increased from 5 to 15 in the state. Miss Clarke also pioneered in the launching of the Family Camp program in Indiana, which was among the first such camps sponsored by Disciples of Christ.

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Dr. Robert M. Hopkins, former president of the United Society, retired June 30 from his position of executive vice-president of The Golden Rule Foundation. Monroe H. Hess, Jr., until June administrative assistant to the dean of Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration, succeeds Dr. Hopkins.

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The trustees of the Board of Church Extension set a new record at their meeting in May, when they promised $1,016,175.00 in new loans to Christian churches and church organizations — the largest amount ever promised at a single trustees' meeting. Included in this total was the largest single loan ever promised to a church. This loan for $25,000 goes to a Midwestern congregation.

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G. Parker Rossman, student work executive in the department of Christian education of the United Society, was awarded a Ph.D. degree by Yale University Graduate School in June.

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Mrs. J. Edward Moseley, director of interpretation for the United Society, remained on the west coast after the Portland convention for a vacation period in which she participated in the golden wedding anniversary observance of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Lomax, at Waitsburg, Wash., where Mr. Lomax ministers to the Christian church.

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A Minister's Report

NOTE: *University Church, Seattle, Washington, led all Disciple churches in* WORLD CALL *subscriptions in 1951-52, with a gain of 150 per cent. Last year the church again led, with an increase of 175 per cent and a total of 553 subscriptions. Dr. John Paul Pack, pastor of University Church, told of this gain and its importance at a business session of the International Convention in Portland, Oregon. Following is a portion of his comments:*

—Photo by C. R. Dawson

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Book Chat

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Books Mentioned in Book Chat

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PREACHING ON CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES, by Harold A. Bosley. New York. Harper and Brothers. 221 pp. Price $3.00.

EXPOSITORY PREACHING FOR TODAY, by Andrew W. Blackwood. New York and Nashville. The Abingdon-Cokesbury Press. 224 pp. Price $3.00.

HERALDS OF THE GOSPEL, by H. T. Lehmann. Philadelphia. The Muhlenberg Press. 75 pp. Price $1.25.

HOW TO BELIEVE, by Ralph W. Sockman. Garden City. Doubleday and Company. 224 pp. Price $2.50.

HASTENING THE DAY OF GOD, Compiled and Edited by John W. Bradbury. Wheaton, Ill. The Van Kampen Press. 262 pp. Price $3.00.

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PREACHING FROM PICTURES, Revised Edition, by Kenneth W. Sollitt. Boston. W. A. Wilde Co. Price, $2.50.

GLIMPSES OF A SACRED LAND, by Carl F. H. Henry. Boston. W. A. Wilde Co. Price, $3.50.

SERMONS I LOVE TO PREACH, by Edgar DeWitt Jones. New York. Harper and Brothers. Price, $2.50.

WRITING FOR CHRISTIAN PUBLICATIONS, by Edith Tiller Osteyee. Philadelphia. Judson Press. Price, $3.00.

OUR CHURCH PLANS FOR YOUTH, by Forrest B. Fordham. Philadelphia. Judson Press. Price, paper, 75c.

WHEN A MAN PRAYS, by Arthur A. Rouner. Westwood, N. J. Fleming H. Revell Co. Price, $2.50.

YOUTH GUIDE ON THE LIFE AND TASK OF THE CHURCH AROUND THE WORLD, by Wyatt Jones. New York. Friendship Press. Price, paper, 50c.

A HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY, by Kenneth Scott Latourette. New York. Harper and Brothers. Price, $9.50.

MOMENTS OF WORSHIP, by Mary Beth Fulton. Philadelphia. Judson Press. Price, $2.00.

THE SAGE AND THE OLIVE, by Florence Whitfield Barton. Philadelphia. The Muhlenberg Press. Price, $3.75.

ALONE WITH GOD, by Grover Carlton Emmons. Nashville, Tenn. Abingdon - Cokesbury Press. Price, 35c.

WORLD FRIENDS PICTURE ALBUM, 16 photographs with descriptive text, in black and white, 9 x 12 inches. New York. Friendship Press. Price, $1.00.

LIFE IS COMMITMENT, by J. H. Oldham. New York. Harper and Brothers. Price, $2.50.

GUIDE FOR THE CHURCH WE CANNOT SEE, by Nelle Morton. New York. Friendship Press. Price, 50c.

THE REFUGEE AND THE UNITED NATIONS, by Elfan Rees. Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. Price, 15c.

IMPROVING CHILDREN'S LEARNING ABILITY (Better Living Booklet Series for Parents and Teachers), by Harry N. Rivlin. Chicago. Science Research Associates. Price, 40c.

PLANNING YOUR JOB FUTURE (Junior Life Adjustment Booklet), by Emery Stoops and Lucile Rosenheim, Chicago. Science Research Associates. Price, 40c.

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT COMMUNISM (Life Adjustment Booklet for Teen-Agers), by Alfred G. Meyer. Chicago. Science Research Associates. Price, 40c.

YOUTH GUIDE FOR SPANISH-SPEAKING AMERICANS IN THE U.S.A., by Sarah Cunningham. New York. Friendship Press. Price, paper, 50c.

LIVING WITH PEACE OF MIND, by Kirby Page. Nashville, Tenn. Source Publishers. Price, paper, 50c.

GREAT IS THE COMPANY, by Violet Wood. Philadelphia. Judson Press. Price, cloth, $2.50; paper, $1.25.

TABLE TALKS AND TIDBITS, compiled by Dorothy A. Stevens. Preface by Mrs. James D. Wyker. Philadelphia. Judson Press. Price, $2.50.

LIVING WITH PEACE OF MIND, by Kirby Page. Nashville, Tenn. Source Publishers. Price, 50 cents.

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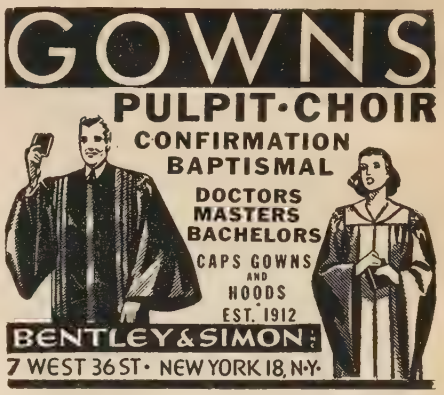

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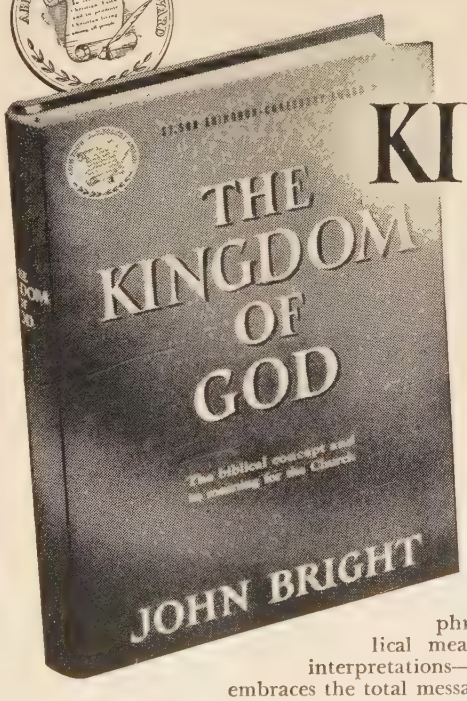

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Dutch Reformed Minister Gives Ainslie Lecture

By BASIL HOLT*

THE fifth Peter Ainslie Memorial Lecture was delivered on Friday, June 5, at the University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, Union of South Africa. The lecturer was the Rev. A. M. Meiring, of Heidelberg, a prominent minister of the Dutch Reformed Church. This was the first time that the lecture had been delivered by a spokesman of that church. His own choice of subject was "Christian Unity: A Dutch Reformed View."

The chair was taken by Dr. H. R. Raikes, principal and vice-chancellor of the University. Representatives of various denominations formed the platform party, and the vote of thanks to the lecturer was proposed by the Bishop of Johannesburg, who was roundly applauded when he expressed thanks also to the Disciples of Christ in America for the founding of the Peter Ainslie Memorial Lectureship.

Dominant Church

Mr. Meiring said that, in referring to the Dutch Reformed Church in South Africa he meant the Nederduits Hervormde of Gereformeerde Kerk, which includes about 50 per cent of the country's church members. He noted that there has been a growing interest in the question of unity of all churches in South Africa. The Dutch Reformed Church is a member of the World Council of Churches and has been represented by Prof. G. B. A. Gerdener, of Stellenbosch.

There has been an ebb and flow of inter-church relationships, the speaker said, and at present there appears to be more ebb than flow; but the Afrikaans churches had gone more than half-way to cross the barrier. An elementary condition for further relationship between English and Dutch churches was that more English-speaking South Africans should learn to use Afrikaans, the variant of Dutch spoken in South Africa.

Cites Essential Unity

Citing a feeling of essential unity which persists, Mr. Meiring continued:

"The Dutch Reformed Church would have to cut loose from her own traditions, if she were lightly to sever the very bonds which bind her to other South African churches.

"We must look for rapprochement and unity on a far wider scale than hitherto. The Anglican church has at various times been in the vanguard of united church action, but at the crucial moments she has become embarrassed by the prospects of jeopardizing her traditional character, and felt herself constrained to withdraw. A similar fear has come over other churches."

On the question of the separation of the races, Mr. Meiring said frankly that his church did support separate churches for white and colored.

Took Issue with Paton

The lecture was enlivened by Mr. Meiring's taking issue with the assertion which he said had been made by a previous lecturer, that the Dutch Reformed Church was using the government as an instrument for its own policy. The reference was to the lecture of 1951 by the well-known author, Alan Paton, on "Christian Unity: A South African View."

"I emphatically deny that any such thing takes place," said Mr. Meiring. "It probably arises from the fact that the members of the present government are mostly members of the Dutch Reformed Church. But surely we have never heard it said of the British Anglican churches that they are conspiring with the British government."

Spoke in English

It was a fine gesture on Mr. Meiring's part to deliver the lecture in English rather than in his native tongue at an English university. The thought came to me, as I listened to him, that before long we should have a church leader whose "home" language is English to deliver the lecture in Afrikaans at a Dutch University as a return courtesy. We have bilingual men who can do it. We must do all we can to prevent differences of language and politics from driving us apart in this troubled land.

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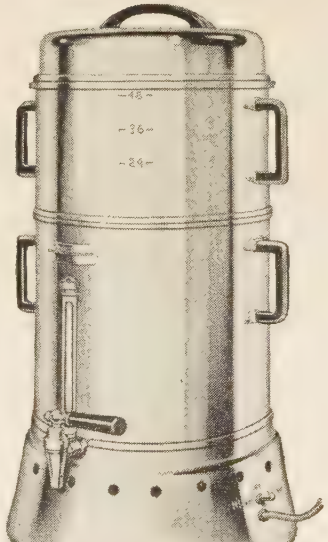

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Ernest Green, one of the best loved leaders of Disciples of Christ in Great Britain, died at his home near Manchester on Apr. 28. A prominent wholesale grocer for many years, Mr. Green received many recognitions from his trade association. He is best remembered, however, for his devotion to his church and his generosity in the support of its work.

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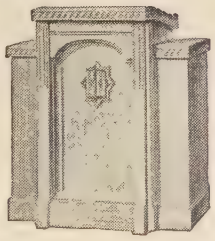

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The Letter that Leopoldo Wrote

By HALLIE LEMON*

WHAT Leopoldo said in that letter he wrote to himself after that consecration service at the close of the young people's conference at Rancho Los Haro in Mexico, no one knows except he and God above. But we do know some of the things that happened leading up to that moment.

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Two Exceptions Noted

The schedule for the days was similar to that of any conference with two exceptions. There were four work committees: sanitation (sweeping and cleaning), dish washing, dining-room and kitchen help (preparing the vegetables, etc.). These committees were given time for their work before the three morning classes. The other distinctive feature was the evangelistic calling in Los Haro and surrounding communities in the afternoon hours. The callers

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were volunteer young men to be accompanied by teachers. The young women formed three intercessory groups, taking turns while their companions went out with gospel portions in hand.

Leopoldo was timid the first day but the second day volunteered. He, as others, was somewhat surprised to find such work interesting. Since the conference time, the young men of Los Nogales have entered into some discussions among themselves—"But it isn't enough to go once and leave gospel portions!" They see the need for more personal work in their ranch. What a lack, what a need, for a rural pastor to teach them, to accompany them, to give them direction.

To return to Leopoldo on the night of the consecration service, the appeal was made for full time service and for part time lay service. Fifty per cent of the young people in the circle stepped forward. Leopoldo, perhaps the one who had been the quietest and most reserved, showing an emotional reaction, stepped forward. Mrs. Mae Yoho Ward, who was with us for a few days, was standing at his side. As we had an all-night silent period after the service, it was the next morning when we heard her remark. "He wept and I wept too!" The next day he was radiant as he chatted about his desire to go to the farm school, Mountain of Light Farm in Pabellon, to begin his studies. Several of the young women have come to Los Haro to live with the missionaries, on a scholarship of three months, while studying a course in rudiments of Christian education.

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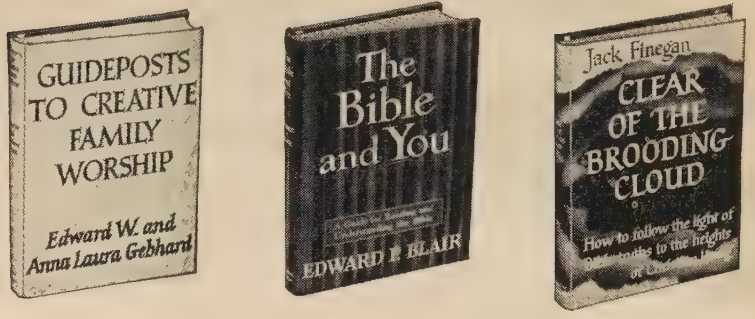

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National Council Releases Annual Labor Sunday Message

Religious freedom is inseparable from the freedom to work under conditions which the worker has a part in determining, the National Council of Churches declares in its 1953 Labor Sunday message.

The message, adopted by the Council's General Board for use on Labor Sunday, September 6, commends the increasing number of Americans who have exercised their right to organize in labor unions and to bargain with employers through representatives of their own choice.

Pointing out that "the important social contribution of the labor movement is recognized by almost every branch of the Christian church," the message calls on American church people to appreciate leadership in the labor movement as an important Christian vocation. The loss of William Green and Philip Murray, "outstanding Christian laymen in organized labor," is mourned by the National Council of Churches, the message says.

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Missionary Facts Compiled by National Council

OUT of more than 18,000 Protestant missionaries serving overseas during 1952, nearly half were in Africa or Latin America and the West Indies.

The next largest number, totalling almost one-third, were in East Asia, India, Pakistan and Ceylon, according to a report on American Protestant mission work during 1952.

The report, issued by the Missionary Research Library of the National Council of Churches' Division of Foreign Missions, noted that 94% of the missionaries worked as evangelists, educators or medical missionaries, while the remaining 6% functioned as technical experts, relief and reconstruction workers, and business managers.

China's action in closing the door to foreign missionaries drastically altered the pattern of the American Protestant missionary program. Before 1949, the report said, some one-fourth of America's missionaries regularly were assigned to China, but by 1952 the figure had declined to 4% stationed in Hongkong and Formosa.

Other regions served by the American missionary program during 1952, in addition to those noted above, were the Near East, Southeast Asia, Australia and Europe.

Two-thirds of the American Protestant missionary force were lay workers rather than ordained ministers. Nearly 70% of the missionaries were married and had children, and of the unmarried personnel 3% were men and 28% women. Short-term missionaries made up only 2½% of the total force.

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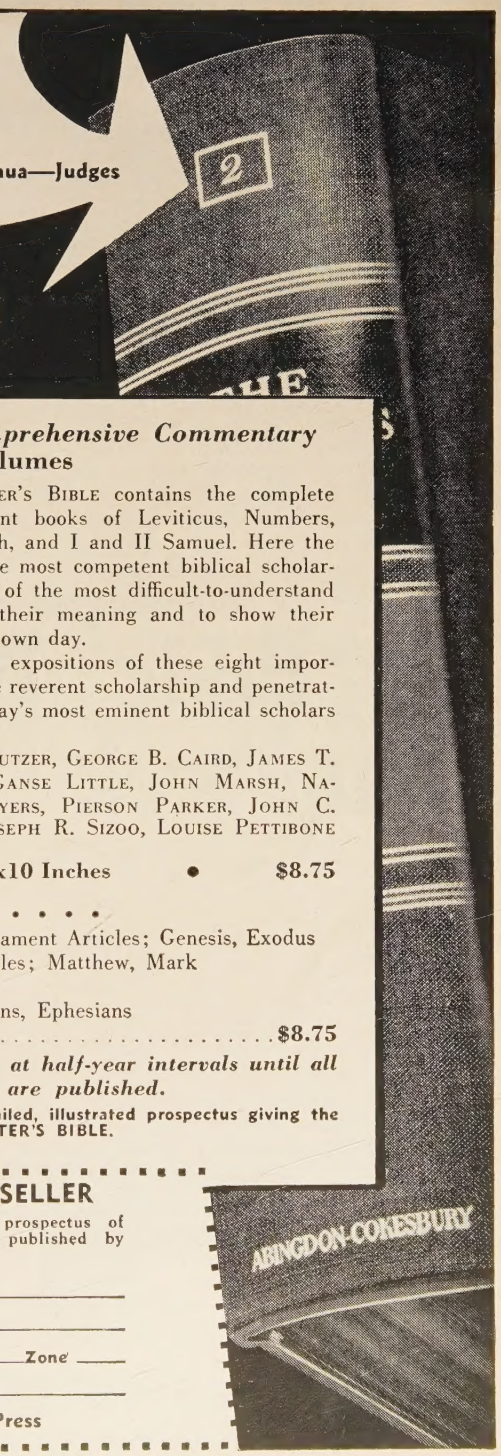

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An extraordinarily nice surprise came the other day in the form of a letter from *Ellis Cowling,* minister of the United Church of Pompey, New York. The letter read in part, "As you may be aware, it is the policy of our church to send WORLD CALL to every member of the Disciples of Christ section of our congregation. (We are a Disciple - Presbyterian federated church.) These subscriptions are paid for out of the current expense budget of the church. . . . We believe our way of handing WORLD CALL is a good one. It brought forth considerable comment at the New York convention. Perhaps other churches might be persuaded to try it."

I can imagine the comment! *Dr. John Paul Pack,* University Church, Seattle, also brought forth "considerable comment" when he spoke to the International Convention in Portland about the way in which his church gives WORLD CALL to its members. Mr. Cowling, Dr. Pack and other ministers who have led their churches in sending WORLD CALL to every family are not only bringing forth a lot of comment, but are "persuading" others that they should do likewise.

We have quite a gratifying list of churches who are sending WORLD CALL to every family, or are giving a year's subscription to new members, and the list grows steadily. It could grow much faster if those who should be listed would not hide their light under a bushel! I know there are many who do, for I find them over and over as I go "here and there" around the country. Is your church one of these? If so, do let me know.

Another letter which pleased me tremendously came from *Mrs. John D. Hayes,* of Washington, D.C. Mrs. Hayes, not a Disciple, wrote, "There has recently come into my hands a copy of WORLD CALL for January, 1953. The material in it interests me very much, especially the articles on Africa—they are the best I have seen on that country." Mrs. Hayes asked if January copies were still available and then said, "I am interested in this year's study, 'The Church Around the World.' From the quality of this magazine, I think you will cover that unusually well too! So I enclose my check for $2.20, 20c for the January number and $2.00 for a subscription to WORLD CALL." I think you appreciate such a tribute as much as I.

I think too, that you will share my pride in the high praise our special June issue received from the Home Missions department of the National Council of Churches. They were keenly enthusiastic about the section on Spanish-speaking Americans.

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Churches	$1,306,767.57	$1,456,035.74	$315,229.96	$505,190.73
Sunday Schools	442,766.67	494,067.97	20,206.79	15,460.06
Christian Women's Fellowships	969,952.40	1,071,216.77	69,935.39	45,885.73
Guilds	42,267.93	42,958.59	5,411.60	3,193.63
Youth Groups	67,572.07	79,700.48	3,166.73	5,786.27
Children's Groups	6,750.71	9,844.48	974.63	1,873.94
Individuals	31,818.36	37,143.41	81,790.90	33,501.11
Grand Totals	$2,867,895.71	$3,190,967.44	$496,716.00	$610,891.47
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Last Column

"Where Your Treasure Is . . ."

AMERICANS spent almost twice as much on television in 1952 as they did in supporting their churches. This is disclosed by the annual Department of Commerce report on consumer expenditures released in Washington, Religious News Service reports.

Americans are estimated to have contributed $1,296,000,000 to churches and religious organizations in 1952, an all-time record. However, during the same period they spent $2,234,000,000 on television and radio sets in repair.

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—ANONYMOUS

There is no life so humble that, if it be true and genuinely human and obedient to God, it may not hope to shed some of His light. There is no life so meager that the greatest and wisest of us can afford to despise it. We cannot know at what moment it may flash forth with the life of God.

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A short time before his death, the noted American editorial writer, Arthur Brisbane, wrote these words:

"We may sweep the world clean of militarism. We may scrub the world white of autocracy. We may carpet it with democracy, and drape it with the flag of republicanism. We may hang on the walls the thrilling pictures of freedom—here the signing of America's independence, there the thrilling portrait of Joan of Arc, yonder the Magna Charta, and on this side the inspiring picture of Garibaldi. We may spend energy and effort to make the world a paradise itself, where the lion of capitalism can lie down with the proletarian lamb. But if we turn into that splendid room mankind with the same old heart, 'deceitful and desperately wicked,' we may expect to clean house again not many days hence. What we need is a peace conference with the Prince of Peace."

—THE PULPIT

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